SOLICITATION

SECTION A - SOLICITATION/CONTRACT FORM

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1.	Purchase Authority: Public Law 92-218 as amended			
2.	Request For Proposal	3. Issue Date:	4. Just In Time:	5. Set Aside:
	(RFP) Number:		[X] NO	[X] NO
		8/10/04	[] YES See Part IV Section L	[] YES See Part IV
NIH-ES-04-09				Section L

6. TITLE: Ramazzini Foundation Bioassay Data

7. ISSUED BY:

 Research Contracts Branch
 National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences
 National Institutes of Health
 79 T.W. Alexander Dr., 4401 Research Commons
 P.O. Box 12874
 Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27709

 8. SUBMIT OFFERS TO:

 See Part III, Section J, "Packaging and Delivery of the Proposal," ATTACHMENT 1 of this Solicitation.

- 9. Proposals for furnishing the supplies and/or services in THE SCHEDULE will be received at the place specified in, and in the number of copies specified in Attachment 1 until 4:00 pm local time on September 20, 2004. Offers will be valid for 120 days unless a different period is specified by the offeror on the Attachment entitled, "Proposal Summary and Data Record, NIH 2043."
- 10. THIS SOLICITATION REQUIRES DELIVERY OF PROPOSALS TO THE OFFICIAL POINT OF RECEIPT FOR THE PURPOSE OF DETERMINING TIMELY DELIVERY AS STATED IN ATTACHMENT 1. IF YOUR PROPOSAL IS NOT RECEIVED BY THE CONTRACTING OFFICER OR HIS DESIGNEE AT THE PLACE AND TIME SPECIFIED FOR THE RESEARCH CONTRACTS BRANCH, THEN IT WILL BE CONSIDERED LATE AND HANDLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH HHSAR CLAUSE 352.215-70, ENTITLED, "LATE PROPOSALS, AND REVISIONS" LOCATED ON PAGE 52 OF THIS SOLICITATION.
- 11. Offeror must provide full name, address, TIN, and, if different, the address to which payment should be mailed.
- 12. FOR INFORMATION CALL: Melissa Gentry PHONE: (919) 316-4625 or email gentry1@niehs.nih.gov COLLECT CALLS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
- 13. Table of Contents on following page.

Donald A. Gula Supervisory Contracting Officer Research Contracts Branch National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences

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PART I - THE SCHEDULE

THE CONTRACT SCHEDULE SET FORTH IN SECTIONS B THROUGH H, HEREIN, CONTAINS CONTRACTUAL INFORMATION PERTINENT TO THIS SOLICITATION. IT IS **NOT** AN EXACT REPRESENTATION OF THE PROPOSED CONTRACT DOCUMENT. CONTRACTUAL PROVISIONS PERTINENT TO THE OFFEROR (I.E., THOSE RELATING TO THE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE [E.G., NON-PROFIT, COMMERCIAL] AND SPECIFIC COST AUTHORIZATIONS UNIQUE TO THE OFFEROR'S PROPOSAL AND REQUIRING CONTRACTING OFFICER PRIOR APPROVAL) WILL BE DISCUSSED IN THE NEGOTIATION PROCESS AND WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE RESULTANT CONTRACT. HOWEVER, THE ENCLOSED CONTRACT SCHEDULE PROVIDES ALL THE NECESSARY INFORMATION FOR THE OFFEROR TO UNDERSTAND THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE RESULTANT CONTRACT.

SECTION B - SUPPLIES OR SERVICES AND PRICES/COSTS

ARTICLE B.1. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES OR SERVICES

The overall objective of this contract is to incorporate the Ramazzini bioassay results and scientific observations, from past as well as future experiments, in the NTP database and ultimately disseminate these findings to the public health community.

ARTICLE B.2. PRICES/COSTS

The final contract will contain the price/cost provisions agreed upon by the Government and the Offeror.

ARTICLE B.3. PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO DIRECT COSTS

This article will prohibit or restrict the use of contract funds, unless otherwise approved by the Contracting Officer for: 1) Acquisition, by purchase or lease, of any interest in real property; 2) Special rearrangement or alteration of facilities; 3) Purchase or lease of <u>any</u> item of general purpose office furniture or office equipment regardless of dollar value; 4) Travel Costs; 5) Consultant Costs; 6) Subcontract Costs; 7) Patient Care Costs; 8) Accountable Government Property; and 9) Research Funding.

ARTICLE B.4. ADVANCE UNDERSTANDINGS

Specific elements of cost, which normally require prior written approval of the Contracting Officer before incurrence of the cost (e.g., foreign travel, consultant fees, subcontracts) will be included in this Article if the Contracting Officer has granted his/her approval prior to contract award.

SECTION C - DESCRIPTION/SPECIFICATIONS/WORK STATEMENT

ARTICLE C.1. STATEMENT OF WORK

Independently and not as an agent of the Government, the Contractor shall be required to furnish all the necessary services, qualified personnel, material, equipment, and facilities, not otherwise provided by the Government, as needed to perform the Statement of Work, SECTION J, ATTACHMENT 2, 8 pages, dated May 28, 2004, attached hereto and made a part of this Solicitation.

ARTICLE C.2. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

A. Technical Progress Reports

In addition to the required reports set forth elsewhere in this Schedule, the preparation and submission of regularly recurring Technical Progress Reports will be required in any contract resulting from this solicitation.

B. Deliverables:

DESCRIPTION QUANTITY DUE DATE

1. Bioassay data and analyses:

Shall be submitted electronically for each chemical (via TDMS) with QA parameters noted. The decision of what chemicals are to be submitted will be made jointly by the Ramazzini Foundation Principal Investigator(s) and the NIEHS Project Officer.

Electronic Copy (Text-WordPerfect or Word; spreadsheet-Excel)

Mutually agreed date to be determined at time of each chemical selection

2. Annual Report:

Shall include a summation of the work performed and results obtained each year the contract is in place.

Electronic Copy (Text-WordPerfect or Word; spreadsheet-Excel)

Every 12 months

3. Final Report:

The Final Report will include a summation of all work performed and results obtained for the entire period of performance.

Electronic Copy (Text-WordPerfect or Word; spreadsheet-Excel)

On or before contract expiration

Supplementary Reports:

Reports provided should provide the following information as appropriate:

- (1) A brief summary of activities performed on each chemical
- (2) Laboratory animal concerns
- (3) Data Management discussion of general problem areas relative to the NTP-supplied or in-house systems.
- (4) Any issue concerning quality assurance compliance.

All reports/deliverables shall be delivered to the Project Officer at the address cited below. In addition, one copy of the Annual Report shall be delivered to the Contract Specialist at the address cited below:

Project Officer

Contract Specialist

TO BE COMPLETED AT AWARD

Project Officer, NIEHS
National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences
Research Contracts Branch
P.O. Box 12874
79 T.W. Alexander Drive
Building 4401, Research Commons
Research Triangle Park, NC 27709

TO BE COMPLETED AT AWARD

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National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences
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Research Triangle Park, NC 27709

C. Summary of Salient Results

The Contractor will be required to prepare and submit, with the final report, a summary (not to exceed 200 words) of salient results achieved during the performance of the contract. This report will be required on or before the expiration date of the contract

D. Other Reports

1. INVENTION REPORTING REQUIREMENT

All reports and documentation required by [FAR Clause 52.227-11/FAR Clause 52.227-11 (Deviation)/FAR Clause 52.227-13] including, but not limited to, the invention disclosure report, the confirmatory license, and the government support certification, shall be directed to the Office of Extramural Inventions and Technology Resources Branch, OPERA, NIH, 6705 Rockledge Drive, Room 1040 A, MSC 7980, Bethesda, Maryland 20892-7980 (Telephone: 301-435-1986). In addition, one copy of an annual utilization report, and a copy of the final invention statement, shall be submitted to the Contracting Officer. The final invention statement (see FAR 27.303(a)(2)(ii)) shall be submitted on the expiration date of the contract to the Contracting Officer.

The first annual utilization report shall be due on or before ______. Thereafter, reports shall be due on or before the _____ (calendar/working) day following the reporting period.] The final invention statement (see FAR 27.303(a)(2)(ii)) shall be submitted on the expiration date of the contract to the following address:

Contract Specialist
National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, RCB
National Institutes of Health
79 T. W. Alexander Dr., 4401 Research Commons Building
P.O. Box 12874
Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27709

If no invention is disclosed or no activity has occurred on a previously disclosed invention during the applicable reporting period, a negative report shall be submitted to the Contracting Officer at the address listed above.

To assist contractors in complying with invention reporting requirements of the clause, the NIH has developed "Interagency Edison," an electronic invention reporting system. Use of Interagency Edison is encouraged as it streamlines the reporting process and greatly reduces paperwork. Access to the system is through a secure interactive Web site to ensure that all information submitted is protected. Interagency Edison and information relating to the capabilities of the system can be obtained from the Web (http://www.iedison.gov), or by contacting the Office of Extramural Inventions and Technology Resources Branch, OPERA, NIH.

3. SOURCE CODE AND OBJECT CODE

Unless otherwise specified herein, the Contractor shall deliver to the Government, upon the expiration date of the contract, all source code and object code developed, modified, and/or enhanced under this contract.

SECTION D - PACKAGING, MARKING AND SHIPPING

The resultant contract will insert specific requirements, if any, for packaging, marking, and shipping of deliverables here. If specific requirements exist, they will be described in the Background/Statement of Work, Section J, Attachment 1, of the RFP. Otherwise, this section will require that the Contractor guarantee that all required materials be delivered in immediate, usable, and acceptable condition.

SECTION E - INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE

The Contracting Officer or the duly authorized representative will perform inspection and acceptance of materials and services to be provided. The contract will identify who will perform inspections, where the inspection will be performed, and the time frame for acceptance.

This contract incorporates the following clause by reference, with the same force and effect as if it were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make its full text available.

FAR Clause No 52.246-8, INSPECTION OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT - COST REIMBURSEMENT (MAY 2001).

SECTION F - DELIVERIES OR PERFORMANCE

ARTICLE F.1. PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE

The period of performance of this contract shall be from November 20, 2004 - November 19, 2005.

ARTICLE F.2. LEVEL OF EFFORT

a. During the period of performance of this contract, the Contractor shall provide direct labor HOURS (MONTHS, YEARS). The labor HOURS (MONTHS, YEARS)(INCLUDE/EXCLUDE) vacation, sick leave, and holiday. It is estimated that the labor HOURS (MONTHS, YEARS) are constituted as specified below and will be expended approximately as follows:

Labor HOURS (MONTHS, YEARS)

Labor Category Year 1 Year 2 Year 3 Year 4 Year 5 Year 6 Year 7

Professional

Other Professional

Support

- b. The Contractor shall have satisfied the requirement herein if not less than 90 % nor more than 110 % of the total direct labor hours (MONTHS, YEARS) specified herein are furnished.
- c. In the event fewer hours (MONTHS, YEARS) than the minimum specified number of direct labor hours (MONTHS, YEARS) in the total categories are used by the Contractor in accomplishing the prescribed work and the Government has not invoked its rights under the clause TERMINATION (Cost-Reimbursement) Federal Acquisition Regulation 52.249-6 incorporated in this contract, these parties agree that the fee will be adjusted based solely upon the quantity of hours (MONTHS, YEARS) by which the number of direct labor hours (MONTHS, YEARS) furnished is less than the number of direct labor hours (MONTHS, YEARS) specified in this ARTICLE. The resulting adjustment shall be evidenced by a contract modification.

ARTICLE F. 3. CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE, FAR 52.252-2 (FEBRUARY 1998)

This contract incorporates the following clause by reference, with the same force and effect as if it were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make its full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed

electronically at this address: http://www.arnet.gov/far/.

FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (48 CFR CHAPTER 1) CLAUSE:

52.242-15, Stop Work Order (AUGUST 1989) with ALTERNATE I (APRIL 1984).

SECTION G - CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION DATA

Any contract awarded from this RFP will contain the following:

ARTICLE G.1. PROJECT OFFICER

The Government's Project Officer (s) will be identified in the contract:

The Project Officer is responsible for: (1) monitoring the Contractor's technical progress, including the surveillance and assessment of performance and recommending to the Contracting Officer changes in requirements; (2) interpreting the Statement of Work and any other technical performance requirements; (3) performing technical evaluation as required; (4) performing technical inspections and acceptances required by this contract; and (5) assisting in the resolution of technical problems encountered during performance.

The Contracting Officer is the only person with authority to act as agent of the Government under this contract. Only the Contracting Officer has authority to: (1) direct or negotiate any changes in the Statement of Work; (2) modify or extend the period of performance; (3) change the delivery schedule; (4) authorize reimbursement to the Contractor any costs incurred during the performance of this contract; or (5) otherwise change any terms and conditions of this contract.

The Government may unilaterally change its Project Officer designation.

ARTICLE G.2. KEY PERSONNEL

Contractor personnel considered by the Government to be essential to contract performance will be identified here. The Contracting Officer must be notified prior to removing any of these individuals from the contract.

ARTICLE G.3 . INVOICE SUBMISSION/CONTRACT FINANCING REQUEST AND CONTRACT FINANCIAL REPORT

Invoices will be submitted in accordance with the Invoice/Financing Request Instructions Forms specified in the LIST OF ATTACHMENTS (SECTION J) of the specific RFP.

For cost-type contracts that will require the financial information submitted along with the invoice, NIH(rc)-4, "Invoice/Financing Request Instructions and Contract Financial Reporting for NIH Cost-Reimbursement Type Contracts" will be used.

ARTICLE G.4. CONTRACT FINANCIAL REPORT

Financial reports will be submitted using the Form NIH 2706, "Financial Report of Individual Project/Contract." If applicable, the NIH 2706, and the Instructions which accompany the form, will be included in the LIST OF ATTACHMENTS (SECTION J) of this RFP.

Normally, reports are due quarterly. Examples of the cost elements to be reported include:

Expenditure Category

Percentage of Effort/Hours

(1)	Direct Labor
	(a) Principal Investigator
	(b) Co-Principal Investigator
	(c) Key Personnel
	(i)
	(ii)
	(iii)
(2)	Other Professional Personnel
(3)	Personnel - Other
(4)	Fringe Benefits
(5)	Accountable Personal Property
(6)	Materials/Supplies
(7)	Patient Care Costs
(8)	Travel
(9)	Consultant Costs
(10)	Premium Pay
(11)	Computer Costs
(12)	Subcontract Costs
(13)	Other Direct Costs
(14)	Indirect Costs
(15)	G&A Expense
(16)	Total Cost
(17)	Fee
(18)	Total Cost Plus Fixed Fee

f. The Government may unilaterally revise the NIH 2706 to reflect the allotment of additional funds.

ARTICLE G.5. INDIRECT COST RATES

Profit making organizations will negotiate provisional and/or final indirect cost rate with:

Director, Division of Financial Advisory Services

Office of Acquisition Management and Policy National Institutes of Health 6100 Building, Room 6B05 6100 EXECUTIVE BLVD MSC-7540 BETHESDA MD 20892-7540

ARTICLE G.6. GOVERNMENT PROPERTY

If this RFP will result in the acquisition or use of Government Property provided by the contracting agency or if the Contracting Officer authorizes in the preaward negotiation process, the acquisition of property (other than real property), this ARTICLE will include applicable provisions and incorporate the DHHS Publication (OS) 686, entitled, Contractor's Guide for Control of Government Property, (1990) which can be found at http://knownet.hhs.gov/log/contractorsguide.htm

ARTICLE G.7. POST AWARD EVALUATION OF CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE

a. Contractor Performance Evaluations

Interim and final evaluations of contractor performance will be prepared on this contract in accordance with FAR 42.15. The final performance evaluation will be prepared at the time of completion of work. In addition to the final evaluation, interim evaluations will be prepared annually to coincide with the anniversary date of the contract.

Interim and final evaluations will be provided to the Contractor as soon as practicable after completion of the evaluation. The Contractor will be permitted thirty days to review the document and to submit additional information or a rebutting statement. If agreement cannot be reached between the parties, the matter will be referred to an individual one level above the Contracting Officer, whose decision will be final.

Copies of the evaluations, contractor responses, and review comments, if any, will be retained as part of the contract file, and may be used to support future award decisions.

b. <u>Electronic Access to Contractor Performance Evaluations</u>

Contractors that have Internet capability may access evaluations through a secure Web site for review and comment by completing the registration form that can be obtained at the following address:

http://ocm.od.nih.gov/cdmp/cps_contractor.htm

The registration process requires the contractor to identify an individual that will serve as a primary contact and who will be authorized access to the evaluation for review and comment. In addition, the contractor will be required to identify an alternate contact who will be responsible for notifying the cognizant contracting official in the event the primary contact is unavailable to process the evaluation within the required 30-day time frame.

SECTION H - SPECIAL CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

ARTICLE H.1. REIMBURSEMENT OF COSTS FOR INDEPENDENT RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS (Commercials Only)

The primary purpose of the Public Health Service (PHS) is to support and advance independent research within the scientific community. This support is provided in the form of contracts and grants totaling approximately 7 billion dollars annually. PHS has established effective, time tested and well recognized procedures for stimulating and supporting this independent research by selecting from multitudes of applications those research projects most worthy of support within the constraints of its appropriations. The reimbursement through the indirect cost mechanism of independent research and development costs not incidental to product improvement would circumvent this competitive process.

To ensure that all research and development projects receive similar and equal consideration, all organizations may compete for direct funding of independent research and development projects they consider worthy of support by submitting those

projects to the appropriate Public Health Service grant office for review. Since these projects may be submitted for direct funding, the Contractor agrees that no costs for any independent research and development project, including all applicable indirect costs, will be claimed under this contract.

ARTICLE H.2. HUMAN SUBJECTS

It is hereby understood and agreed that research involving human subjects shall not be conducted under this contract, and that no material developed, modified, or delivered by or to the Government under this contract, or any subsequent modification of such material, will be used by the Contractor or made available by the Contractor for use by anyone other than the Government, for experimental or therapeutic use involving humans without the prior written approval of the Contracting Officer.

ARTICLE H.3. CONTINUED BAN ON FUNDING OF HUMAN EMBRYO RESEARCH

a. Pursuant to Public Law(s) cited in paragraph b., below, NIH is prohibited from using appropriated funds to support human embryo research. Contract funds may not be used for (1) the creation of a human embryo or embryos for research purposes; or (2) research in which a human embryo or embryos are destroyed, discarded, or knowingly subjected to risk of injury or death greater than that allowed for research on fetuses in utero under 45 CFR 46.208(a)(2) and Section 498(b) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 289g(b)). The term "human embryo or embryos" includes any organism, not protected as a human subject under 45 CFR 46 as of the date of the enactment of this Act, that is derived by fertilization, parthenogenesis, cloning, or any other means from one or more human gametes or human diploid cells.

Additionally, in accordance with a March 4, 1997 Presidential Memorandum, Federal funds may not be used for cloning of human beings.

b.	Public Law and Section No.	Fiscal Year	Period Covered	
P.L. 108-199, Title V-		2004	10/1/03 - 9/30/04	
	General Provisions, Section 505			

ARTICLE H. 4. NEEDLE EXCHANGE

a. Pursuant to Public Law(s) cited in paragraph b., below, contract funds shall not be used to carry out any program of distributing sterile needles or syringes for the hypodermic injection of any illegal drug.

b.	Public Law and Section No.	Fiscal Year	Period Covered	
	P.L. 108-199, Title V-	2004	10/1/03 - 9/30/04	

ARTICLE H.5. OPTION PROVISION

Unless the Government exercises its option pursuant to the Option Clause set forth in ARTICLE I.3., the contract will consist only of Year 1 of the Statement of Work as defined in Sections C and F of the contract. Pursuant to clause 52.217-19 set forth in ARTICLE I.3. of this contract, the Government may, by unilateral contract modification, require the Contractor to perform up to nine additional one year extensions of the Statement of Work as also defined in Sections C and F of this contract. If the Government exercises these options, notice must be given at least 60 days prior to the expiration date of this contract, and the estimated cost plus fixed fee of the contract will be increased as set forth in Article B.3.

ARTICLE H. 6. SALARY RATE LIMITATION LEGISLATION PROVISIONS

Pursuant to Public Law(s) cited in paragraph b., below, no NIH Fiscal Year funds may be used to pay the direct salary of an individual through this contract at a rate in excess of applicable amount shown for the fiscal year covered. Direct salary is exclusive of fringe benefits, overhead, and general and administrative expenses (also referred to as "indirect cost" or "facilities and administrative (F&A) costs"). Direct salary has the same meaning as the term "institutional base salary." An individual's direct salary (or institutional base salary) is the annual compensation that the contractor pays for an individual's appointment whether that individual's time is spent on research, teaching, patient care or other activities. Direct salary (or institutional base salary) excludes any income that an individual may be permitted to earn outside of duties to the contractor. The per year salary rate limit also applies to individuals proposed under subcontracts. It does not apply to fees paid to consultants. If this is a multiple year contract, it may be subject to unilateral modifications by the Government if an individual's salary rate exceeds any salary rate ceiling established in future HHS appropriation acts.

Dollar Amount of

b. Public Law No. Fiscal Year Salary Limitation*

P.L. 108-199. Title II-General Provisions, Section 204 2004 Executive Level I

c. Direct salaries which will be paid with FY funds are limited to the Executive Level rate which was in effect on the date(s) the expense was incurred.

For contract expenditures using FY-04 funds, the period 10/1/03 - 12/31/03 the Executive Level rate is \$171,900. Effective 1/1/04, for contract expenditures using FY-04 funds, the Executive Level I rate is increased to \$175,700 and will remain at that level until such time as it is determined to raise the Executive Schedule annual rates.

See the web site listed below for Executive Schedule rates of pay.

LINK to EXECUTIVE LEVEL SALARIES: http://www.opm.gov/oca/04tables/html/ex.asp (For previous years, go to: http://www.opm.gov/oca/04tables/index.asp and click on the year to locate the Executive Level Salary.)

ARTICLE H.7. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS SECURITY SPECIFICATIONS

The contractor agrees to comply with the Information Technology (IT) systems security and/or privacy specifications set forth herein; the Computer Security Act of 1987; Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-130, Appendix III, "Security of Federal Automated Information Systems," and the DHHS Automated Information Systems Security Program (AISSP) Handbook, which may be found at the following websites:

Computer Security Act of 1987: http://csrc.ncsl.nist.gov/secplcy/csa 87.txt OMB A-130, Appendix III: http://csrc.ncsl.nist.gov/secplcy/a130app3.txt DHHS AISSP Handbook: http://irm.cit.nih.gov/policy/aissp.html

The contractor further agrees to include this provision in any subcontract awarded pursuant to this prime contract. Failure to comply with these requirements shall constitute cause for termination.

The contractor shall be responsible for properly protecting all information used, gathered, or developed as a result of the SOW. The contractor shall establish and implement appropriate administrative, technical, and physical safeguards to ensure the security and confidentiality of sensitive Government information, data, and/or equipment.

In addition, during all activities and operations on Government premises, the contractor shall comply with DHHS, including National Institutes of Health (NIH), rules of conduct.

a. Required IT Systems Security Training

The contractor shall assure that each employee has completed the NIH Computer Security Awareness Training (http://irtsectraining.nih.gov/) prior to performing any work under this contract.

The contractor shall maintain a listing by name and title of each individual working under this contract who has completed the NIH required training. Any additional security training completed by contractor staff shall be included on this listing. [The listing of completed training shall be included in the first technical progress report. (See Article C.2. Reporting Requirements) Any revisions to this listing as a result of staffing changes shall be submitted with next required technical progress report.]

As indicated in OMB Circular A-130 and/or NIST Special Publication 800-16, "Information Technology Security Training Requirements," contractor staff shall complete the following additional training prior to performing any work under this contract:

b. <u>Position Sensitivity Designations</u>

The Government has determined that the following position sensitivity designations and associated clearance and investigation requirements apply under this contract:

Level 6C: Sensitive - High Risk (Requires Suitability Determination with a BI).

Contractor employees assigned to a Level 6C position are subject to a Background Investigation (BI).

Level 5C: Sensitive - Moderate Risk (Requires Suitability Determination with NACIC).

Contractor employees assigned to a Level 5C position with no previous investigation and approval shall undergo a National Agency Check and Inquiry Investigation plus a Credit Check (NACIC), or possibly a Limited Background Investigation (LBI).

Level 4C: Classified (Requires Special Access Clearance with an SSBI).

Contractor employees assigned to a Level 4C position are subject to a Single Scope Background Investigation (SSBI).

Level 3C: Classified (Requires Top Secret Clearance with an SSBI).

Contractor employees assigned to a Level 3C position are subject to a Single Scope Background Investigation (SSBI).

Level 2C: Classified (Requires Confidential or Secret Clearance with an LBI).

Contractor employees assigned to a Level 2C position shall undergo a Limited Background Investigation (LBI).

Level 1C: Non Sensitive (Requires Suitability Determination with an NACI).

Contractor employees assigned to a Level 1C position are subject to a National Agency Check and Inquiry Investigation (NACI).

Contractor employees in AIS-related positions shall comply with the DHHS criteria for the assigned position sensitivity designations prior to performing any work under this contract.

Contractor employees who have met investigative requirements within the past five years may only require an updated or upgraded investigation. Verifications of completed investigations (e.g. copies of certificates of investigations or security clearances), as well as requests for new investigations, shall be submitted to the Project Officer.

c. Commitment to Protect Sensitive Information

a. Contractor Agreement

The Contractor shall not release, publish, or disclose sensitive information to unauthorized personnel, and shall protect such information in accordance with provisions of the following laws and any other pertinent laws and regulations governing the confidentiality of sensitive information:

- -18 U.S.C. 641 (Criminal Code: Public Money, Property or Records)
- -18 U.S.C. 1905 (Criminal Code: Disclosure of Confidential Information)
- -Public Law 96-511 (Paperwork Reduction Act)

b. Contractor-Employee Non-Disclosure Agreements

Each contractor employee who may have access to sensitive information under this contract shall complete the attachment entitled, "Commitment To Protect Non-Public Information - Contractor Agreement," which is referenced in Section J of this contract and available at: http://irm.cit.nih.gov/security/Nondisclosure.pdf

A copy of each signed and witnessed Non-Disclosure agreement shall be submitted to the Project Officer prior to performing any work under the contract.

ARTICLE H.8. ELECTRONIC AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY STANDARDS

Pursuant to Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794d) as amended by P.L.105-220 under Title IV (Rehabilitation Act Amendments of 1998) all Electronic and Information Technology (EIT) developed, procured, maintained and/or used under this contract shall be in compliance with the "Electronic and Information Technology Accessibility Standards" set forth by the Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board (also referred to as the "Access Board") in 36 CFR Part 1194. The complete text of Section 508 Final Standards can be accessed at http://www.access-board.gov/

The standards applicable to this requirement are [identified in the Statement of Work/listed below]:

ARTICLE H. 9. ENERGY STAR REQUIREMENTS

Executive Order 13123, "Greening the Government Through Efficient Energy Management" and FAR 23.203 require that when Federal Agencies acquire energy using products, they select, where life-cycle cost-effective, and available, ENERGY STAR® or other energy efficient products.

Unless the Contracting Officer determines otherwise, all energy-using products acquired under this contract must be either an ENERGY STAR® or other energy efficient product designated by the Department of Energy's Federal Energy Management Program (FEMP).

For more information about ENERGY STAR® see http://www.energystar.gov/
For more information about FEMP see http://www.eren.doe.gov/femp/procurement

ARTICLE H. 10. ACCESS TO NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (NIH) ELECTRONIC MAIL

All Contractor staff that have access to and use of NIH electronic mail (e-mail) must identify themselves as contractors on all outgoing e-mail messages, including those that are sent in reply or are forwarded to another user. To best comply with this requirement, the contractor staff shall set up an e-mail signature ("AutoSignature") or an electronic business card ("V-card") on each contractor employee's computer system and/or Personal Digital Assistant (PDA) that will automatically display "Contractor" in the signature area of all e-mails sent.

ARTICLE H.11. CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION

The following information is covered by HHSAR 352.224-70, Confidentiality of Information (APRIL 1984):

[The specific information applicable to this clause will be included in the contract]

ARTICLE H.12. PUBLICATION AND PUBLICITY

The contractor shall acknowledge the support of the National Institutes of Health whenever publicizing the work under this contract in any media by including an acknowledgment substantially as follows:

"This project has been funded in whole or in part with Federal funds from the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services, under Contract No.

ARTICLE H.13. PRESS RELEASES

a. Pursuant to Public Law(s) cited in paragraph b., below, the contractor shall clearly state, when issuing statements, press releases, requests for proposals, bid solicitations and other documents describing projects or programs funded in whole or in part with Federal money: (1) the percentage of the total costs of the program or project which will be financed with Federal money; (2) the dollar amount of Federal funds for the project or program; and (3) the percentage and dollar amount of the total costs of the project or program that will be financed by nongovernmental sources.

b. Public Law and Section No.		Fiscal Year	Period Covered	
	P.L. 108-199., Title V-General Provisions, Section 507	2004	10/1/03 - 9/30/04	

ARTICLE H.14. REPORTING MATTERS INVOLVING FRAUD, WASTE AND ABUSE

Anyone who becomes aware of the existence or apparent existence of fraud, waste and abuse in NIH funded programs is encouraged to report such matters to the HHS Inspector General's Office in writing or on the Inspector General's Hotline. The toll free number is 1-800-HHS-TIPS (1-800-447-8477). All telephone calls will be handled confidentially. The e-mail address is Htips@os.dhhs.gov and the mailing address is:

Office of Inspector General Department of Health and Human Services TIPS HOTLINE P.O. Box 23489 Washington, D.C. 20026

ARTICLE H.15. YEAR 2000 COMPLIANCE

In accordance with FAR 39.106, Information Technology acquired under this contract must be Year 2000 compliant as set forth in the following clause(s):

1. Service Involving the Use of Information Technology

YEAR 2000 COMPLIANCE--SERVICE INVOLVING THE USE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

The Contractor agrees that each item of hardware, software, and firmware used under this contract shall be able to accurately process date data (including, but not limited to, calculating, comparing and sequencing) from, into and between the twentieth and twenty-first centuries and the Year 1999 and the Year 2000 and leap year calculations.

(End of Clause)

2. Noncommercial Supply Items Warranty

YEAR 2000 WARRANTY--NONCOMMERCIAL SUPPLY ITEMS

The contractor warrants that each noncommercial item of hardware, software, and firmware delivered or developed under this contract and listed below shall be able to accurately process date data (including, but not limited to, calculating, comparing and sequencing) from, into and between the twentieth and twenty-first centuries and the Year 1999 and the Year 2000 and leap year calculations, when used in accordance with the item documentation provided by the contractor, provided that all listed or unlisted items (e.g., hardware, software and firmware) used in combination with such listed item properly exchange date data with it. If the contract requires that specific listed items must perform as a system in accordance with the foregoing warranty, then that warranty shall apply to those listed items as a system. The duration of this warranty and the remedies available to the Government for breach of this warranty shall be as defined in, and subject to, the terms and limitations of any general warranty provisions of this contract provided that notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in such warranty provision(s), or in the absence of any such warranty provision(s), the remedies available to the Government under this warranty shall include repair or replacement of any listed item whose noncompliance is discovered and made known to the contractor in writing within ninety (90) days after acceptance. Nothing in this warranty shall be construed to limit any rights or remedies the Government may otherwise have under this contract with respect to defects other than Year 2000 performance.

YEAR 2000 COM	MPLIANT ITEMS
(end of	clause)

3. Commercial Supply Products Warranty

YEAR 2000 WARRANTY--COMMERCIAL SUPPLY ITEMS

The contractor warrants that each hardware, software and firmware product delivered under this contract and listed below shall be able to accurately process date data (including, but not limited to, calculating, comparing, and sequencing) from, into, and between the twentieth and twenty-first centuries and the Year 1999 and the Year 2000 and leap year calculations, when used in accordance with the product documentation provided by the contractor, provided that all listed or unlisted products (e.g., hardware, software, firmware) used in combination with such listed product properly exchange date data with it. If the contract requires that specific listed products must perform as a system in accordance with the foregoing warranty, then that warranty shall apply to those listed products as a system. The duration of this warranty and the remedies available to the Government for breach of this warranty shall be as defined in, and subject to, the terms and limitations of the contractor's standard commercial warranty or warranties contained in this contract, provided that notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in such commercial warranty or warranties, the remedies available to the Government under this warranty shall include repair or replacement of any listed product whose non-compliance is discovered and made known to the contractor in writing within ninety (90) days after acceptance. Nothing in this warranty shall be construed to limit any rights or remedies the Government may otherwise

have under this contract with respect to defects other than Year 2000 performance.

YEAR 2000 COMPLIANT ITEMS
(end of clause)

ARTICLE H.16. ANTI-LOBBYING

- a. Pursuant to Public Law(s) cited in paragraph c., below, contract funds shall not be used, other than for normal and recognized executive-legislative relationships, for publicity or propaganda purposes, for the preparation, distribution, or use of any kit, pamphlet, booklet, publication, radio, television, or video presentation designed to support or defeat legislation pending before the Congress or any State legislature, except in presentation to the Congress or any State legislature itself.
- b. Contract funds shall not be used to pay salary or expenses of the contractor or any agent acting for the contractor, related to any activity designed to influence legislation or appropriations pending before the Congress or any State legislature.

c. Public Law and Section No.		Fiscal Year	Period Covered
	P.L. 108-199, Title V- General Provisions, Section 503a	2004	10/1/03 - 9/30/04
	P.L. 108-199, Title V- General Provisions, Section 503b	2004	10/1/03 - 9/30/04

ARTICLE H.17. OBTAINING AND DISSEMINATING BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH RESOURCES

Unique research resources arising from NIH-funded research are to be shared with the scientific research community. NIH provides guidance, entitled, "Sharing Biomedical Research Resources: Principles and Guidelines for Recipients of NIH Research Grants and Contracts," (Federal Register Notice, December 23, 1999 [64 FR 72090]), concerning the appropriate terms for disseminating and acquiring these research resources. This guidance, found at: http://ott.od.nih.gov/NewPages/64FR72090.pdf. is intended to help contractors ensure that the conditions they impose and accept on the transfer of research tools will facilitate further biomedical research, consistent with the requirements of the Bayh-Dole Act and NIH funding policy.

Note: For the purposes of this Article, the terms, "research tools," "research materials," and "research resources" are used interchangeably and have the same meaning.

ARTICLE H.18. SHARING RESEARCH DATA

The contractor's data sharing plan, dated ______ is hereby incorporated by reference.] The contractor agrees to adhere to its plan and shall request prior approval of the Contracting Officer for any changes in its plan.

The NIH endorses the sharing of final research data to expedite the translation of research results into knowledge, products, and procedures to improve human health. This contract is expected to generate research data that must be shared with the public and other researchers. NIH's data sharing policy may be found at the following Web site:

http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-03-032.html

NIH recognizes that data sharing may be complicated or limited, in some cases, by institutional policies, local IRB rules, as well as local, state and Federal laws and regulations, including the Privacy Rule (see HHS-published documentation on the Privacy

Rule at http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/). The rights and privacy of people who participate in NIH-funded research must be protected at all times; thus, data intended for broader use should be free of identifiers that would permit linkages to individual research participants and variables that could lead to deductive disclosure of the identity of individual subjects.

PART II - CONTRACT CLAUSES

SECTION I - CONTRACT CLAUSES

THE FOLLOWING PAGES CONTAIN A LISTING(S) OF GENERAL CLAUSES WHICH WILL BE APPLICABLE TO MOST CONTRACTS RESULTING FROM THIS RFP. HOWEVER, THE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE OF THE SUCCESSFUL OFFEROR(S) WILL DETERMINE THE SPECIFIC GENERAL CLAUSES LISTING TO BE CONTAINED IN THE CONTRACT(S) AWARDED FROM THIS RFP.

ARTICLE I.1. GENERAL CLAUSES FOR A COST-REIMBURSEMENT RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CONTRACT-FAR 52.252-2, CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEBRUARY 1998)

This contract incorporates the following clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at this address: http://www.arnet.gov/far/.

a. FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (FAR) (48 CFR CHAPTER 1) CLAUSES:

FAR		
<u>CLAUSE NO.</u>	<u>DATE</u>	TITLE
52.202-1	Jul 2004	Definitions
52.203-3	Apr 1984	Gratuities (Over \$100,000)
52.203-5	Apr 1984	Covenant Against Contingent Fees (Over \$100,000)
52.203-6	Jul 1995	Restrictions on Subcontractor Sales to the Government (Over \$100,000)
52.203-7	Jul 1995	Anti-Kickback Procedures (Over \$100,000)
52.203-8	Jan 1997	Cancellation, Rescission, and Recovery of Funds for Illegal or Improper Activity (Over \$100,000)
52.203-10	Jan 1997	Price or Fee Adjustment for Illegal or Improper Activity (Over \$100,000)
52.203-12	Jun 2003	Limitation on Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions (Over \$100,000)
52.204-4	Aug 2000	Printed or Copied Double-Sided on Recycled Paper (Over \$100,000)
52.204-7	Oct 2003	Central Contractor Registration
52.209-6	Jul 1995	Protecting the Government's Interests When Subcontracting With Contractors Debarred, Suspended, or Proposed for Debarment (Over \$25,000)
52.215-2	Jun 1999	Audit and Records - Negotiation (Over \$100,000)
52.215-8	Oct 1997	Order of Precedence - Uniform Contract Format
52.215-10	Oct 1997	Price Reduction for Defective Cost or Pricing Data
52.215-12	Oct 1997	Subcontractor Cost or Pricing Data (Over \$500,000)
52.215-14	Oct 1997	Integrity of Unit Prices (Over \$100,000)
52.215-15	Jan 2004	Pension Adjustments and Asset Reversions

52.215-18	Oct 1997	Reversion or Adjustment of Plans for Post-Retirement Benefits (PRB) other than Pensions
52.215-19	Oct 1997	Notification of Ownership Changes
52.215-21	Oct 1997	Requirements for Cost or Pricing Data or Information Other Than Cost or Pricing Data - Modifications
52.216-7	Dec 2002	Allowable Cost and Payment
52.216-8	Mar 1997	Fixed Fee
52.219-8	May 2004	Utilization of Small Business Concerns (Over \$100,000)
52.219-9	Jan 2002	Small Business Subcontracting Plan (Over \$500,000)
52.219-16	Jan 1999	Liquidated Damages - Subcontracting Plan (Over \$500,000)
52.222-2	Jul 1990	Payment for Overtime Premium (Over \$100,000) (Note: The dollar amount in paragraph (a) of this clause is \$0 unless otherwise specified in the contract.)
52.222-3	Jun 2003	Convict Labor
52.222-26	Apr 2002	Equal Opportunity
52.222-35	Dec 2001	Equal Opportunity for Special Disabled Veterans, Veterans of the Vietnam Era, and Other Eligible Veterans
52.222-36	Jun 1998	Affirmative Action for Workers with Disabilities
52.222-37	Dec 2001	Employment Reports on Special Disabled Veterans, Veterans of the Vietnam Era, and Other Eligible Veterans
52.223-6	May 2001	Drug-Free Workplace
52.223-14	Aug 2003	Toxic Chemical Release Reporting (Over \$100,000)
52.225-1	Jun 2003	Buy American Act - Supplies
52.225-13	Dec 2003	Restrictions on Certain Foreign Purchases
52.227-1	Jul 1995	Authorization and Consent, Alternate I (Apr 1984)
52.227-2	Aug 1996	Notice and Assistance Regarding Patent and Copyright Infringement (Over \$100,000)
52.227-11	Jun 1997	Patent Rights - Retention by the Contractor (Short Form) (Note: In accordance with FAR 27.303(a)(2), paragraph (f) is modified to include the requirements in FAR 27.303(a)(2)(i) through (iv). The frequency of reporting in (i) is annual.
52.227-14	Jun 1987	Rights in Data - General
52.232-9	Apr 1984	Limitation on Withholding of Payments
52.232-17	Jun 1996	Interest (Over \$100,000)
52.232-20	Apr 1984	Limitation of Cost
52.232-23	Jan 1986	Assignment of Claims
52.232-25	Oct 2003	Prompt Payment, Alternate I (Feb 2002)
52.232-33	Oct 2003	Payment by Electronic Funds TransferCentral Contractor Registration
52.233-1	Jul 2002	Disputes

52.233-3	Aug 1996	Protest After Award, Alternate I (Jun 1985)
52.242-1	Apr 1984	Notice of Intent to Disallow Costs
52.242-3	May 2001	Penalties for Unallowable Costs (Over \$500,000)
52.242-4	Jan 1997	Certification of Final Indirect Costs
52.242-13	Jul 1995	Bankruptcy (Over \$100,000)
52.243-2	Aug 1987	Changes - Cost Reimbursement, Alternate V (Apr 1984)
52.244-2	Aug 1998	Subcontracts, Alternate II (Aug 1998) *If written consent to subcontract is required, the identified subcontracts are listed in ARTICLE B, Advance Understandings.
52.244-5	Dec 1996	Competition in Subcontracting (Over \$100,000)
52.245-5	May 2004	Government Property (Cost-Reimbursement, Time and Material, or Labor-Hour Contract)
52.246-23	Feb 1997	Limitation of Liability (Over \$100,000)
52.249-6	Sep 1996	Termination (Cost-Reimbursement)
52.249-14	Apr 1984	Excusable Delays
52.253-1	Jan 1991	Computer Generated Forms

b. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ACQUISITION REGULATION (HHSAR) (48 CFR CHAPTER 3) CLAUSES:

HHSAR		
CLAUSE NO.	<u>DATE</u>	TITLE
352.202-1	Jan 2001	Definitions - with Alternate paragraph (h) (Jan 2001)
352.216-72	Oct 1990	Additional Cost Principles
352.228-7	Dec 1991	Insurance - Liability to Third Persons
352.232-9	Apr 1984	Withholding of Contract Payments
352.233-70	Apr 1984	Litigation and Claims
352.242-71	Apr 1984	Final Decisions on Audit Findings
352.270-5	Apr 1984	Key Personnel
352.270-6	Jul 1991	Publications and Publicity
352.270-7	Jan 2001	Paperwork Reduction Act

[End of GENERAL CLAUSES FOR A COST-REIMBURSEMENT RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CONTRACT - Rev. 07/2004].

ARTICLE I.2. AUTHORIZED SUBSTITUTIONS OF CLAUSES

Any authorized substitutions and/or modifications other than the General Clauses which will be based on the type of contract/Contractor will be determined during negotiations.

It is expected that the following clause(s) will be made part of the resultant contract:

FAR Clause 52.204-7, CENTRAL CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION (OCTOBER 2003) is deleted in its entirety.

FAR Clause 52.232-33, PAYMENT BY ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER--CENTRAL CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION (OCTOBER 2003) is deleted in its entirety and FAR Clause 52.232-34, PAYMENT BY ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER--OTHER THAN CENTRAL CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION (MAY 1999) is substituted therefor.

FAR Clause 52.232-20, LIMITATION OF COST, is deleted in its entirety and FAR Clause 52.232-22, LIMITATION OF FUNDS (APRIL 1984) is substituted therefor. Note: When this contract is fully funded, FAR Clause 52.232-22, LIMITATION OF FUNDS will no longer apply and FAR Clause 52.232-20, LIMITATION OF COST will become applicable.

ARTICLE I.3. ADDITIONAL CONTRACT CLAUSES

Additional clauses other than those listed below which are based on the type of contract/Contractor shall be determined during negotiations. Any contract awarded from this solicitation will contain the following:

This contract incorporates the following clauses by reference, (unless otherwise noted), with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available.

- a. FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (FAR) (48 CFR CHAPTER 1) CLAUSES
 - (1) FAR 52.208-9, Contractor Use of Mandatory Sources of Supply (JULY 2004).
 - (2) FAR 52.217-9, Option to Extend the Term of the Contract (MARCH 2000).
 - "(a) The Government may extend the term of this contract by written notice to the Contractor within [INSERT THE PERIOD OF TIME WITHIN WHICH THE CONTRACTING OFFICER MAY EXERCISE THE OPTION] ; provided that the Government gives the Contractor a preliminary written notice of its intent to extend at least __ days [60 days unless a different number of days is inserted] before the contract expires. The preliminary notice does not commit the Government to an extension.
 - (c) The total duration of this contract, including the exercise of any options under this clause, shall not exceed [MONTHS/YEARS]."
 - (3) FAR 52.227-14, Rights in Data General (JUNE 1987).
 - (4) FAR 52.229-8, Taxes-Foreign Cost-Reimbursement Contracts (MARCH 1990).
 - (5) FAR 52.237-3, Continuity of Services (JANUARY 1991).
 - (6) FAR 52.245-3, Identification of Government-Furnished Property (APRIL 1984).
 - (7) FAR 52.251-1, Government Supply Sources (APRIL 1984).
 - (8) FAR 52.242-3, Penalties for Unallowable Costs (MAY 2001).
 - (9) FAR 52.245-1, Property Records (APRIL 1984).
- b. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ACQUISITION REGULATION (HHSAR) (48 CHAPTER 3) CLAUSES:
 - (1) HHSAR 352.224-70, Confidentiality of Information (APRIL 1984).
- c. NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (NIH) RESEARCH CONTRACTING (RC) CLAUSES:

The following clauses are attached and made a part of this contract:

(1) NIH (RC)-7, Procurement of Certain Equipment (APRIL 1984) (OMB Bulletin 81-16).

ARTICLE I.4. ADDITIONAL FAR CONTRACT CLAUSES INCLUDED IN FULL TEXT

Additional clauses other than those listed below which are based on the type of contract/Contractor shall be determined during negotiations. Any contract awarded from this solicitation will contain the following:

This contract incorporates the following clauses in full text.

FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (FAR)(48 CFR CHAPTER 1) CLAUSES:

a. FAR Clause 52.244-6, SUBCONTRACTS FOR COMMERCIAL ITEMS (JULY 2004)

(a) **Definitions**. As used in this clause--

Commercial item, has the meaning contained in Federal Acquisition Regulation 52.202-1, Definitions.

Subcontract, includes a transfer of commercial items between divisions, subsidiaries, or affiliates of the Contractor or subcontractor at any tier.

- (b) To the maximum extent practicable, the Contractor shall incorporate, and require its subcontractors at all tiers to incorporate, commercial items or nondevelopmental items as components of items to be supplied under this contract.
- (c) (1) The Contractor shall insert the following clauses in subcontracts for commercial items:
 - (i) 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (MAY 2004) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2) and (3)), in all subcontracts that offer further subcontracting opportunities. If the subcontract (except subcontracts to small business concerns) exceeds \$500,000 (\$1,000,000 for construction of any public facility), the subcontractor must include 52.219-8 in lower tier subcontracts that offer subcontracting opportunities.
 - (ii) 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (APR 2002) (E.O. 11246).
 - (iii) 52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Special Disabled Veterans, Veterans of the Vietnam Era, and Other Eligible Veterans (DEC 2001) (38 U.S.C. 4212(a)).
 - (iv) 52.222-36, Affirmative Action for Workers with Disabilities (JUN 1998) (29 U.S.C. 793).
 - (v) 52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (APR 2003) (46 U.S.C. Appx 1241 and 10 U.S.C. 2631) (flow down required in accordance with paragraph (d) of FAR clause 52.247-64).
 - (2) While not required, the Contractor may flow down to subcontracts for commercial items a minimal number of additional clauses necessary to satisfy its contractual obligations.
- (d) The Contractor shall include the terms of this clause, including this paragraph (d), in subcontracts awarded under this contract.

PART III - LIST OF DOCUMENTS, EXHIBITS AND OTHER ATTACHMENTS

SECTION J - LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Packaging and Delivery of Proposal, May, 1994, 1 page.
- 2. Statement of Work, dated May 28, 2004, 8 pages.
- 3. Invoice/Financing Request and Contract Financial Reporting Instructions for NIH Cost-Reimbursement Type Contracts, NIH(RC)-4⁴, May, 1997, 5 pages.
- 4. Financial Report of Individual Project/Contract, NIH 2706⁴, May, 1997, 1 page.
- 5. Instructions for Completing Form NIH 2706⁴, May, 1997, 3 pages.
- 6. Procurement of Certain Equipment, NIH(RC)-7 (OMB Bulletin 81-16)⁴, April, 1984, 1 page.
- 7. Disclosure of Lobbying Activities, OMB Form SF-LLL², December, 1989, 3 pages.
- 8. Proposal Summary and Data Record, NIH-2043 (Rev. 6/82)², June., 1982, 2 pages.
- 9. Contact Points², July, 1991, 1 page.
- 10. Technical Proposal Cost Information¹, December, 1988, 1 page.
- 11. Breakdown of Proposed Estimated Cost (plus fee) and Labor Hours², September, 1992, 2 pages.
- 12. Summary of Related Activities¹, March, 1984, 1 page.
- 13. Proposal Intent Response Sheet⁶, March, 1984, 1 page.
- 14. Project Objectives, NIH 1688-1¹, September, 2002, 1 page.
- 15. Government Notice for Handling Proposals¹, January, 2001, 1 page.

Footnotes:

- 1. These forms must be completed (where applicable) and submitted with the Technical Proposal.
- 2. These forms must be completed (where applicable) and submitted with the Business Proposal.
- 3. These forms will be attached to any contract resulting from this RFP.
- 4. Submission instructions are contained on the form.
- 5. Complete this form as soon as possible and return as indicated on the form.
- 6. Submission Instructions are contained in Section L.

PART IV - REPRESENTATIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS

SECTION K - REPRESENTATIONS, CERTIFICATIONS AND OTHER STATEMENTS OF OFFERORS

Representations, Certifications, and Other Statements of Offerors or Quoters (Negotiated).

1. REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

1. 2.	FAR 52.203-2 FAR 52.203-11	Certification of Independent Price Determination Certification and Disclosure Regarding Payme (DEVIATION)	
3. 4.	FAR 52.204-6 FAR 52.209-5	Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) Nun Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Matters	
5. 6.	FAR 52.215-6	Place of Performance	
7.	FAR 15.406-2	Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data	
to b	ind the offeror.) The	Offeror: (The Representations and Certifications of offeror makes the following Representations and Certivital blanks on the following pages). feror)	
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(Sig	nature of Authorize	d Individual)	(Date)
(Ту	ped Name of Author	rized Individual)	
	(DUNS Num	her)	

Note: The penalty for making false statements in offers is prescribed in 18 U.S.C 1001.

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1. 52,203-2 CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT PRICE DETERMINATION (APRIL 1985)

[NOTE: This provision is applicable when a firm-fixed price or fixed-price with economic price adjustment contract is contemplated.]

- (a) The offeror certifies that -
 - (1) The prices in this offer have been arrived at independently, without, for the purpose of restricting competition, any consultation, communication, or agreement with any other offeror or competitor relating to (i) those prices, (ii) the intention to submit an offer, or (iii) the methods or factors used to calculate the prices offered;
 - (2) The prices in this offer have not been and will not be knowingly disclosed by the offeror, directly or indirectly, to any other offeror or competitor before bid opening (in the case of a sealed bid solicitation) or contract award (in the case of a negotiated solicitation) unless otherwise required by law; and
 - (3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the offeror to induce any other concern to submit or not to submit an offer for the purpose of restricting competition.
- (b) Each signature on the offer is considered to be a certification by the signatory that the signatory-
 - (1) Is the person in the offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices being offered in this bid or proposal, and that the signatory has not participated and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above; or
 - (2) (i) Has been authorized in writing, to act as agent for the following principals in certifying that those principals have not participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above

[insert full name of person(s) in the offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices offered in this bid or proposal, and the title of his or her position in the offeror's organization];

- (ii) As an authorized agent, does certify that the principals named in subdivision (b)(2)(i) above have not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above; and
- (iii) As an agent, has not personally participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above.
- (c) If the offeror deletes or modifies subparagraph (a)(2) above, the offeror must furnish with its offer a signed statement setting forth in detail the circumstances of the disclosure.

2. **52.203-11** <u>CERTIFICATION AND DISCLOSURE REGARDING PAYMENTS TO INFLUENCE CERTAIN FEDERAL TRANSACTIONS (DEVIATION)</u>

- (a) The definitions and prohibitions contained in the clause, at FAR 52.203-12, Limitations on Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions, included in this solicitation, are hereby incorporated by reference in paragraph (b) of this certification.
- (b) The offeror, by signing its offer, hereby certifies to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that on or after December 23, 1989 -
 - (1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress on his or her behalf in connection with the awarding of a contract resulting from this solicitation.

- (2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds (including profit or fee received under a covered Federal transaction) have been paid, or will be paid, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress on his or her behalf in connection with this solicitation, the offeror shall complete and submit with its offer, OMB Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities", to the Contracting Officer, and
- (3) He or she will include the language of this certification in all subcontract awards at any tier and require that all recipients of subcontract awards in excess of \$100,000 shall certify and disclose accordingly.
- (c) Submission of this certification and disclosure is a prerequisite for making or entering into this contract imposed by section 1352, Title 31, United States Code. Any person who makes an expenditure prohibited under this provision or who fails to file or amend the disclosure form to be filed or amended by this provision, shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000, and not more than \$100,000, for each such failure.

3. 52.204-6 DATA UNIVERSAL NUMBERING SYSTEM (DUNS) NUMBER (OCTOBER 2003)

- (a) The offeror shall enter, in the block with its name and address on the cover page of its offer, the annotation "DUNS" or "DUNS+4" followed by the DUNS number or "DUNS+4" that identifies the offeror's name and address exactly as stated in the offer. The DUNS number is a nine-digit number assigned by Dun and Bradstreet, Inc. The DUNS+4 is the DUNS number plus a 4-character suffix that may be assigned at the discretion of the offeror to establish additional CCR records for identifying alternative Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) accounts (see Subpart 32.11) for the same parent concern.
- (b) If the offeror does not have a DUNS number, it should contact Dun and Bradstreet directly to obtain one.
 - (1) An offeror may obtain a DUNS number-
 - (i) If located within the United States, by calling Dun and Bradstreet at 1-866-705-5711 or via the Internet at: http://www.dnb.com; or
 - (ii) If located outside the United States, by contacting the local Dun and Bradstreet office.
 - (2) The offeror should be prepared to provide the following information:
 - (i) Company legal business name.
 - (ii) Tradestyle, doing business, or other name by which your entity is commonly recognized.
 - (iii) Company physical street address, city, state and Zip Code.
 - (iv) Company mailing address, city, state and Zip Code (if separate from physical).
 - (v) Company telephone number.
 - (vi) Date the company was started.
 - (vii) Number of employees at your location.
 - (viii) Chief executive officer/key manager.
 - (ix) Line of business (industry).
 - (x) Company Headquarters name and address (reporting relationship within your entity).

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If the Offeror has a DUNS Number, provide her	e.		DUNS No:

4. 52.215-6 PLACE OF PERFORMANCE (OCTOBER 1997)

- (a) The offeror or respondent, in the performance of any contract resulting from this solicitation, [] intends, [] does not intend (check applicable block) to use one or more plants or facilities located at a different address from the address of the offeror or respondent as indicated in this proposal or response to request for information.
- (b) If the offeror or respondent checks "intends" in paragraph (a) of this provision, it shall insert in the following spaces the required information:

Place of Performance (Street Address (City, State, County, Zip Code)	Name and Address of Owner and Operator of the Plant or Facility if Other than Offeror or Respondent

5. 15.406-2 CERTIFICATE OF CURRENT COST OR PRICING DATA

(When cost or pricing data are required in accordance with FAR 15.406-2, the Contracting Officer will request that the offeror complete, execute, and submit to the Contracting Officer a certification in the format shown in the following Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data. The certification shall be submitted only at the time negotiations are concluded. Offerors should complete the certificate and return it when requested by the Contracting Officer.)

This is to certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the cost or pricing data (as defined in section 15.401 of th Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) and required under FAR subsection 15.403-4) submitted, either actually or b specific identification in writing, to the Contracting Officer or to the Contracting Officer's representative in support of** are accurate, complete, and current as of**.
This certification includes the cost or pricing data supporting any advance agreements and forward pricing rate agreement between the offeror and the Government that are part of the proposal.
Firm
Signature
Name
Title
Date of execution***
* Identify the proposal, request for price adjustment, or other submission involved, giving the appropriate identifyin number (e.g., RFP No.)
** Insert the day, month, and year when price negotiations were concluded and price agreement was reached, or, applicable, an earlier date agreed upon between the parties that is as close as practicable to the date of agreement of price.
*** Insert the day, month, and year of signing, which should be as close as practicable to the date when the pric negotiations were concluded and the contract price was agreed to.

IF YOU INTEND TO SUBMIT A PROPOSAL, YOU <u>MUST</u> COMPLETE THE REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS AND SUBMIT THEM AS PART OF YOUR BUSINESS PROPOSAL.

(End of Certificate)

The Representations and Certifications required by this particular acquisition are included as Attachment 13.

SECTION L - INSTRUCTIONS, CONDITIONS AND NOTICES TO OFFERORS

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS--COMPETITIVE ACQUISITION [FAR Clause 52.215-1 (January 2004]

(a) *Definitions*. As used in this provision--

Discussions are negotiations that occur after establishment of the competitive range that may, at the Contracting Officer's discretion, result in the offeror being allowed to revise its proposal.

"In writing", "writing", or "written" means any worded or numbered expression that can be read, reproduced, and later communicated, and includes electronically transmitted and stored information.

"Proposal modification" is a change made to a proposal before the solicitation's closing date and time, or made in response to an amendment, or made to correct a mistake at any time before award.

"Proposal revision" is a change to a proposal made after the solicitation closing date, at the request of or as allowed by a Contracting Officer as the result of negotiations.

"*Time*," if stated as a number of days, is calculated using calendar days, unless otherwise specified, and will include Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays. However, if the last day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, then the period shall include the next working day.

- (b) Amendments to solicitations. If this solicitation is amended, all terms and conditions that are not amended remain unchanged. Offerors shall acknowledge receipt of any amendment to this solicitation by the date and time specified in the amendment(s).
- (c) Submission, modification, revision, and withdrawal of proposals. (1) Unless other methods (e.g., electronic commerce or facsimile) are permitted in the solicitation, proposals and modifications to proposals shall be submitted in paper media in sealed envelopes or packages (i) addressed to the office specified in the solicitation, and (ii) showing the time and date specified for receipt, the solicitation number, and the name and address of the offeror. Offerors using commercial carriers should ensure that the proposal is marked on the outermost wrapper with the information in paragraphs (c)(1)(i) and (c)(1)(ii) of this provision.
 - (2) The first page of the proposal must show--
 - (i) The solicitation number;
 - (ii) The name, address, and telephone and facsimile numbers of the offeror (and electronic address if available):
 - (iii) A statement specifying the extent of agreement with all terms, conditions, and provisions included in the solicitation and agreement to furnish any or all items upon which prices are offered at the price set opposite each item;
 - (iv) Names, titles, and telephone and facsimile numbers (and electronic addresses if available) of persons authorized to negotiate on the offeror's behalf with the Government in connection with this solicitation; and
 - (v) Name, title, and signature of person authorized to sign the proposal. Proposals signed by an agent shall be accompanied by evidence of that agent's authority, unless that evidence has been previously furnished to the issuing office.
 - (3) Submission, modification, revision, and withdrawal of proposals. (i) Offerors are responsible for submitting proposals, and any modifications or revisions, so as to reach the Government office designated in the solicitation by the time specified in the solicitation. If no time is specified in the solicitation, the time for receipt is 4:30 p.m., local time, for the designated Government office on the date that proposal or revision is due.
 - (ii) (A) Any proposal, modification, or revision received at the Government office designated in the solicitation after the exact time specified for receipt of offers is "late" and will not be considered unless it is received before award is made, the Contracting Officer determines that accepting the

late offer would not unduly delay the acquisition; and--

- (1) If it was transmitted through an electronic commerce method authorized by the solicitation, it was received at the initial point of entry to the Government infrastructure not later than 5:00 p.m. one working day prior to the date specified for receipt of proposals; or
- (2) There is acceptable evidence to establish that it was received at the Government installation designated for receipt of offers and was under the Government's control prior to the time set for receipt of offers; or
- (3) It is the only proposal received.
- (B) However, a late modification of an otherwise successful proposal that makes its terms more favorable to the Government, will be considered at any time it is received and may be accepted.
- (iii) Acceptable evidence to establish the time of receipt at the Government installation includes the time/date stamp of that installation on the proposal wrapper, other documentary evidence of receipt maintained by the installation, or oral testimony or statements of Government personnel.
- (iv) If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal Government processes so that proposals cannot be received at the office designated for receipt of proposals by the exact time specified in the solicitation, and urgent Government requirements preclude amendment of the solicitation, the time specified for receipt of proposals will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal Government processes resume.
- (v) Proposals may be withdrawn by written notice received at any time before award. Oral proposals in response to oral solicitations may be withdrawn orally. If the solicitation authorizes facsimile proposals, proposals may be withdrawn via facsimile received at any time before award, subject to the conditions specified in the provision at 52.215-5, Facsimile Proposals. Proposals may be withdrawn in person by an offeror or an authorized representative, if the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the proposal before award.
- (4) Unless otherwise specified in the solicitation, the offeror may propose to provide any item or combination of items.
- (5) Offerors shall submit proposals in response to this solicitation in English, unless otherwise permitted by the solicitation, and in U.S. dollars, unless the provision at FAR 52.225-17, Evaluation of Foreign Currency Offers, is included in the solicitation
- (6) Offerors may submit modifications to their proposals at any time before the solicitation closing date and time, and may submit modifications in response to an amendment, or to correct a mistake at any time before award.
- (7) Offerors may submit revised proposals only if requested or allowed by the Contracting Officer.
- (8) Proposals may be withdrawn at any time before award. Withdrawals are effective upon receipt of notice by the Contracting Officer.
- (d) Offer expiration date. Proposals in response to this solicitation will be valid for the number of days specified on the solicitation cover sheet (unless a different period is proposed by the offeror).
- (e) Restriction on disclosure and use of data. (1) The proposal submitted in response to this request may contain data (trade secrets; business data, e.g., commercial information, financial information, and cost and pricing data; and technical data) which the offeror, including its prospective subcontractor(s), does not want used or disclosed for any purpose other than for evaluation of the proposal. The use and disclosure of any data may be so restricted; provided, that the Government determines that the data is not required to be disclosed under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552, as amended, and the offeror marks the cover sheet of the proposal with the following legend, specifying the particular portions of the proposal which are to be restricted in accordance with the conditions of the legend. The Government's determination to withhold or disclose a record will be based upon the particular circumstances involving the record in question and whether the record may be exempted from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act. The legend reads:

Unless disclosure is required by the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552, as amended, (the Act) as determined by Freedom of Information (FOI) officials of the Department of Health and Human Services, data contained in the portions of this proposal which have been specifically identified by page number, paragraph, etc. by the offeror as containing restricted information shall not be used or disclosed except for evaluation purposes.

The offeror acknowledges that the Department may not be able to withhold a record (data, document, etc.) nor deny access to a record requested pursuant to the Act and that the Department's FOI officials must make that determination. The offeror hereby agrees that the Government is not liable for disclosure if the Department has determined that disclosure is required by the Act.

If a contract is awarded to the offeror as a result of, or in connection with, the submission of this proposal, the Government shall have right to use or disclose the data to the extent provided in the contract. Proposals not resulting in a contract remain subject to the Act.

The offeror also agrees that the Government is not liable for disclosure or use of unmarked data and may use or disclose the data for any purpose, including the release of the information pursuant to requests under the Act. The data subject to this restriction are contained in pages (insert page numbers, paragraph designations, etc. or other identification).

(2) In addition, the offeror should mark each page of data it wishes to restrict with the following statement:

"Use or disclosure of data contained on this page is subject to the restriction on the cover sheet of this proposal or quotation."

- (3) Offerors are cautioned that proposals submitted with restrictive legends or statements differing in substance from the above legend may not be considered for award. The Government reserves the right to reject any proposal submitted with a nonconforming legend.
- (f) Contract award. (1) The Government intends to award a contract or contracts resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror(s) whose proposal(s) represents the best value after evaluation in accordance with the factors and subfactors in the solicitation.
 - (2) The Government may reject any or all proposals if such action is in the Government's interest.
 - (3) The Government may waive informalities and minor irregularities in proposals received.
 - (4) The Government intends to evaluate proposals and award a contract without discussions with offerors (except clarifications as described in FAR 15.306(a)). Therefore, the offeror's initial proposal should contain the offeror's best terms from a cost or price and technical standpoint. The Government reserves the right to conduct discussions if the Contracting Officer later determines them to be necessary. If the Contracting Officer determines that the number of proposals that would otherwise be in the competitive range exceeds the number at which an efficient competition can be conducted, the Contracting Officer may limit the number of proposals in the competitive range to the greatest number that will permit an efficient competition among the most highly rated proposals.
 - (5) The Government reserves the right to make an award on any item for a quantity less than the quantity offered, at the unit cost or prices offered, unless the offeror specifies otherwise in the proposal.
 - (6) The Government reserves the right to make multiple awards if, after considering the additional administrative costs, it is in the Government's best interest to do so.
 - (7) Exchanges with offerors after receipt of a proposal do not constitute a rejection or counteroffer by the Government.

- (8) The Government may determine that a proposal is unacceptable if the prices proposed are materially unbalanced between line items or subline items. Unbalanced pricing exists when, despite an acceptable total evaluated price, the price of one or more contract line items is significantly overstated or understated as indicated by the application of cost or price analysis techniques. A proposal may be rejected if the Contracting Officer determines that the lack of balance poses an unacceptable risk to the Government.
- (9) If a cost realism analysis is performed, cost realism may be considered by the source selection authority in evaluating performance or schedule risk.
- (10) A written award or acceptance of proposal mailed or otherwise furnished to the successful offeror within the time specified in the proposal shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party.
- (11) The Government may disclose the following information in postaward debriefings to other offerors:
 - (i) The overall evaluated cost or price and technical rating of the successful offeror;
 - (ii) The overall ranking of all offerors, when any ranking was developed by the agency during source selection;
 - (iii) A summary of the rationale for award; and
 - (iv) For acquisitions of commercial items, the make and model of the item to be delivered by the successful offeror.

2. NAICS CODE AND SIZE STANDARD

Note: The following information is to be used by the offeror in preparing its Representations and Certifications (See Section K of this RFP), specifically in completing the provision entitled, SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAM REPRESENTATION, FAR Clause 52.219-1.

- (1) The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code for this acquisition is
- (2) The small business size standard is

3. NOTICE OF PRICE EVALUATION ADJUSTMENT FOR SMALL DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS CONCERNS

In accordance with FAR Clause 52.219-23, Notice of Price Evaluation Adjustment for Small Disadvantaged Business Concerns, incorporated in Section I.3., offerors will be evaluated by adding a factor of percent to the price of all offers, except offers from small disadvantaged business concerns that have not waived the adjustment. (Note: A listing of other offerors who are excepted and will not have this evaluation factor added to their offer may be found in subparagraph (b) of FAR Clause 52.219-23.

A small disadvantaged business concern may elect to waive the adjustment, in which case the factor will be added to its offer for evaluation purposes. The agreements in paragraph (d) of FAR Clause 52.219-23 do not apply to offerors that waive the adjustment.

AN OFFEROR WHO ELECTS TO WAIVE THIS EVALUATION ADJUSTMENT MUST SPECIFICALLY INDICATE WITH A STATEMENT TO THIS EFFECT ON THE COVER PAGE OF ITS BUSINESS PROPOSAL.

4. TYPE OF CONTRACT AND NUMBER OF AWARD(S)

It is anticipated that One Award will be made from this solicitation and that the award will be made on/about November 20, 2004.

It is anticipated that the award from this solicitation will be a multiple-year cost reimbursement type contract level of effort with a period of performance of (ten years) or 120 months, and that incremental funding will be used [see Section L.2.c. Business Proposal Instructions].

5. LEVEL OF EFFORT

The Government's requirement for the work set forth in the Statement of Work of this solicitation is 6,040 direct labor hours for the Base Contract and if exercised, 6,040 for each additional option year. It is estimated that the labor hours are constituted as specified below and will be expended approximately as follows:

Labor Hours										
Labor Category	Base	Yr1	Yr 2	Yr3	Yr 4	Yr5	Yr 6	Yr 7	Yr 8	Yr 9
Professional (Ph.D Level)	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200
Administrative Support	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200
Technical Staff	3760	3760	3760	3760	3760	3760	3760	3760	3760	3760
Other	1880	1880	1880	1880	1880	1880	1880	1880	1880	1880
Total	6040	6040	6040	6040	6040	6040	6040	6040	6040	6040
Total for all years										60,400

The following labor classifications represents the Government's assessment of the personnel requirements for the effort. They are provided for information only and are not to be considered restrictive for proposal purposes.

Professional:

Typical Title: Principal Investigator

Normal Qualifications: Ph.D. Degree or equivalent; and

Experience: 10 years or more

Administrative Support:

Typical Title: Data Coordinator

Normal Qualifications: Technical training relevant to the position; and

Experience: at least one year preferred

Technical Staff:

Typical Title: Technician

Normal Qualifications: A.A. Degree or equivalent

Experience: at least three years preferred

6. COMMITMENT OF PUBLIC FUNDS

The Contracting Officer is the only individual who can legally commit the Government to the expenditure of public funds in connection with the proposed procurement. Any other commitment, either explicit or implied, is invalid.

7. COMMUNICATIONS PRIOR TO CONTRACT AWARD

Offerors shall direct all communications to the attention of the Contract Specialist or Contracting Officer cited on the face page of this RFP. Communications with other officials may compromise the competitiveness of this acquisition and result in cancellation of the requirement.

8. RELEASE OF INFORMATION

Contract selection and award information will be disclosed to offerors in accordance with regulations applicable to negotiated acquisition. Prompt written notice will be given to unsuccessful offerors as they are eliminated from the competition, and to all offerors following award.

9. COMPARATIVE IMPORTANCE OF PROPOSALS

You are advised that paramount consideration shall be given to the evaluation of technical proposals. All evaluation factors other than cost or price, when combined, are significantly more important than cost or price. The relative importance of the evaluation factors are specified in SECTION M of this solicitation. However, the Government reserves the right to make an award to the best advantage of the Government, cost and other factors considered.

10. PREPARATION COSTS

This RFP does not commit the Government to pay for the preparation and submission of a proposal.

11. **SERVICE OF PROTEST** (AUGUST 1996) - FAR 52.233-2

(a) Protests, as defined in section 33.101 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation, that are filed directly with an agency, and copies of any protests that are filed with the General Accounting Office (GAO), shall be served on the Contracting Officer (addressed as follows) by obtaining written and dated acknowledgment of receipt from:

Contracting Officer Research Contracts Branch National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, NIH 79 T.W. Alexander Drive, 4401 Research Commons Building P.O. Box 12874 Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27709

(b) The copy of any protest shall be received in the office designated above within one day of filing a protest with the GAO.

(End of Provision)

12. LATE PROPOSALS AND REVISIONS, HHSAR 352.215-70

Notwithstanding the procedures contained in FAR 52.215-1(c)(3) of the provision of this solicitation entitled Instructions to Offerors-Competitive Acquisition, a proposal received after the date specified for receipt may be considered if it offers significant cost or technical advantages to the Government; and it was received before proposals were distributed for evaluation, or within five calendar days after the exact time specified for receipt, whichever is earlier.

(End of provision)

13. AVAILABILITY OF THE "FEDERAL ADP AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS STANDARDS INDEX."

Copies of the "Federal ADP and Telecommunications Standards Index" can be purchased from the U.S. Government Printing Office, Superintendent of Documents, Washington, DC 20402.

2. INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS

a. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

INTRODUCTION

The following instructions will establish the acceptable minimum requirements for the format and contents of proposals. Special attention is directed to the requirements for technical and business proposals to be submitted in accordance with these instructions.

(1) Contract Type and General Clauses

It is contemplated that a cost-reimbursement level of effort type contract will be awarded. (See General Information) Any resultant contract shall include the clauses applicable to the selected offeror's organization and type of contract awarded as required by Public Law, Executive Order, or acquisition regulations in effect at the time of execution of the proposed contract.

(2) Authorized Official and Submission of Proposal

The proposal must be signed by an official authorized to bind your organization and must stipulate that it is predicated upon all the terms and conditions of this RFP. Your proposal shall be submitted in the number of copies, to the addresses, and marked as indicated in the Attachment entitled, PACKAGING AND DELIVERY OF PROPOSAL, Part III, Section J hereof. Proposals will be typewritten, paginated, reproduced on letter size paper and will be legible in all required copies. To expedite the proposal evaluation, all documents required for responding to the RFP should be placed in the following order:

I. COVER PAGE

Include RFP title, number, name of organization, identification of the proposal part, and indicate whether the proposal is an original or a copy.

II. TECHNICAL PROPOSAL

It is recommended that the technical proposal consist of a cover page, a table of contents, and the information requested in the Technical Proposal Instructions and as specified in SECTION J, List of Attachments.

III. BUSINESS PROPOSAL

It is recommended that the business proposal consist of a cover page, a table of contents, and the information requested in the Business Proposal Instructions and as specified in SECTION J, List of Attachments.

(3) Proposal Summary and Data Record (NIH-2043)

The Offeror must complete the Form NIH-2043, attached, with particular attention to the length of time the proposal is firm and the designation of those personnel authorized to conduct negotiations. (See Section J, Attachment entitled, PROPOSAL SUMMARY AND DATA RECORD.)

(4) Separation of Technical and Business Proposals

The proposal must be prepared in two parts: a "Technical Proposal" and a "Business Proposal." Each of the parts shall be separate and complete in itself so that evaluation of one may be accomplished independently of, and concurrently with, evaluation of the other. The technical proposal must include direct cost and resources information, such as laborhours and categories and applicable rates, materials, subcontracts, travel, etc., and associated costs so that the offeror's understanding of the project may be evaluated (See Attachment entitled, TECHNICAL PROPOSAL COST INFORMATION/SUMMARY OF LABOR AND DIRECT COSTS). However, the technical proposal should **not** include pricing data relating to individual salary information, indirect cost rates or amounts, fee amounts (if any), and total costs. The technical proposal should disclose your technical approach in as much detail as possible, including, but not limited to, the requirements of the technical proposal instructions.

(5) Alternate Proposals

You may, at your discretion, submit alternate proposals, or proposals which deviate from the requirements; provided, that you also submit a proposal for performance of the work as specified in the statement of work. Such proposals may be considered if overall performance would be improved or not compromised and if they are in the best interests of the Government. Alternative proposals, or deviations from any requirements of this RFP, shall be clearly identified.

(6) Evaluation of Proposals

The Government will evaluate technical proposals in accordance with the criteria set forth in Part IV, Section M of this RFP.

(7) Potential Award Without Discussions

The Government reserves the right to award a contract without discussions if the Contracting Officer determines that the initial prices are fair and reasonable and that discussions are not necessary.

(8) Use of the Metric System of Measurement

It is the policy of the Department of Health and Human Services to support the Federal transition to the metric system and to use the metric system of measurement in all procurement, grants, and other business related activities unless such use is impracticable or is likely to cause significant inefficiencies.

The offeror is encouraged to prepare their proposal using either "Hard Metric," "Soft Metric," or "Dual Systems" of measurement. The following definitions are provided for your information:

Hard Metric - The replacement of a standard inch-pound size with an accepted metric size for a particular purpose. An example of size substitution might be: selling or packaging liquids by the liter instead of by the pint or quart (as for soft drinks), or instead of by the gallon (as for gasoline).

Soft Metric - The result of a mathematical conversion of inch-pound measurements to metric equivalents for a particular purpose. The physical characteristics are not changed.

Dual Systems - The use of both inch-pound and metric systems. For example, an item is designed, produced, and described in inch-pound values with soft metric values also shown for information or comparison purposes.

(9) Obtaining and Disseminating Biomedical Research Resources

As a public sponsor of biomedical research, the National Institutes of Health (NIH) has a dual interest in accelerating scientific discovery and facilitating product development. Intellectual property restrictions can stifle the broad dissemination of new discoveries and limit future avenues of research and product development. At the same time, reasonable restrictions on the dissemination of research tools are sometimes necessary to protect legitimate proprietary interests and to preserve incentives for commercial development. To assist NIH contractors achieve an appropriate balance, the NIH has provided guidance in the form of a two-part document, consisting of Principles setting forth the fundamental concepts and Guidelines that provide specific information to patent and license professionals and sponsored research administrators for implementation.

The purpose of these Principles and Guidelines is to assist NIH funding recipients in determining: 1) Reasonable terms and conditions for making NIH-funded research resources available to scientists in other institutions in the public and private sectors (disseminating research tools); and 2) Restrictions to accept as a conditions of receiving access to research tools for use in NIH-funded research (acquiring research tools). The intent is to help recipients ensure that the conditions they impose and accept on the transfer of research tools will facilitate further biomedical research, consistent with the requirements of the Bayh-Dole Act and NIH funding policy.

This policy, entitled, "Sharing Biomedical Research Resources: Principles and Guidelines for Recipients of NIH Research Grants and Contracts," (Federal Register Notice, December 23, 1999 [64 FR 72090] will be included in any contract awarded from this solicitation. It can be found at the following website: http://ott.od.nih.gov/NewPages/64FR72090.pdf.

(10) Sharing Research Data

The NIH endorses the sharing of final research data to expedite the translation of research results into knowledge, products, and procedures to improve human health. This contract is expected to generate research data. Therefore, the offeror must submit a plan for data sharing or state why data sharing is not possible. If data sharing is limited, the offeror should explain such limitations in its data sharing plan. NIH's data sharing policy may be found at the following Web site:

http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-03-032.html

If the resultant contract is part of a collaborative program involving multiple sites, the data sharing will be governed by a dissemination plan to be developed jointly following award. Offerors must include in their proposals a statement of willingness to work collaboratively after award with the other funded sites to prepare a joint dissemination plan. Coordinating Center proposals should describe methods to coordinate the dissemination planning and implementation. The Coordinating Center must include a budget and justification for any additional costs of this collaborative effort.

(11) Specific Copyright Provisions Applicable to Software Development and/or Enhancement(s)

Under the provisions of the Rights in Data General clause (52.227-14), contractors must seek permission to establish a copyright for software and associated data generated under a contract. As a general rule, permission is normally granted provided, a paid-up, world-wide, irrevocable, nonexclusive license to the government is provided. This is to advise offerors that for this project, the government intends to assert additional copyright permissions under this contract. [The scope of the Government's interest in the copyright will be determined during negotiations./The government will require:

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(12) Privacy Act - Treatment of Proposal Information

The Privacy Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-579) requires that a Federal agency advise each individual whom it asks to supply information, the authority which authorizes the solicitation, whether disclosure is voluntary or mandatory, the principal purpose or purposes for which the information is intended to be used, the uses outside the agency which may be made of the information, and the effects on the individual, if any, of not providing all or any part of the requested information.

The NIH is requesting the information called for in this RFP pursuant to the authority provided by Sec. 301(a)(7) of the Public Health Service Act, as amended, and P.L. 92-218, as amended.

Providing the information requested is entirely voluntary. The collection of this information is for the purpose of conducting an accurate, fair, and adequate review prior to a discussion as to whether to award a contract.

Failure to provide any or all of the requested information may result in a less than adequate review.

In addition, the Privacy Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-579, Section 7) requires that the following information be provided when individuals are requested to disclose their social security number.

Provision of the social security number is voluntary. Social security numbers are requested for the purpose of accurate and efficient identification, referral, review and management of NIH contracting programs. Authority for requesting this information is provided by Section 301 and Title IV of the PHS Act, as amended.

The information provided by you may be routinely disclosed for the following purposes:

- -to the cognizant audit agency and the General Accounting Office for auditing.
- -to the Department of Justice as required for litigation.
- -to respond to congressional inquiries.
- -to qualified experts, not within the definition of Department employees, for opinions as a part of the review process.

(13) Selection of Offerors

- a) The acceptability of the [scientific and] technical portion of each [research] contract proposal will be evaluated by a technical review committee. The committee will evaluate each proposal in strict conformity with the evaluation criteria of the RFP, utilizing point scores and written critiques. The committee may suggest that the Contracting Officer request clarifying information from an offeror.
- b) The business portion of each contract proposal will be subjected to a cost and price analysis, management analysis, etc.
- c) If award will be made without conducting discussions, offerors may be given the opportunity to clarify certain aspects of their proposal (e.g., the relevance of an offeror's past performance information and adverse past performance information to which the offeror has not previously had an opportunity to respond) or to resolve minor or clerical errors.
- d) If the Government intends to conduct discussions prior to awarding a contract-
 - (1) Communications will be held with offerors whose past performance information is the determining factor preventing them from being placed within the competitive range. Such communications shall address adverse past performance information to which an offeror has not had a prior opportunity to respond. Also, communications may be held with any other offerors whose exclusion from, or inclusion in, the competitive range is uncertain.
 - Such communications shall not be used to cure proposal deficiencies or omissions that alter the technical or cost elements of the proposal, and/or otherwise revise the proposal, but may be considered in rating proposals for the purpose of establishing the competitive range.
 - (2) The Contracting Officer will, in concert with program staff, decide which proposals are in the competitive range. The competitive range will be comprised of all of the most highly rated proposals. Oral or written discussions will be conducted with all offerors in the competitive range.
 - While it is the NIEHS policy to conduct discussions with all offerors in the competitive range, NIEHS reserves the right, in special circumstances, to limit the number of proposals included in the competitive range to the greatest number that will permit an efficient competition. All aspects of the proposals are subject to discussions, including cost, technical approach, past performance, and contractual terms and conditions. At the conclusion of discussions, each offeror still in the competitive range shall be given an opportunity to submit a written Final Proposal Revision (FPR) with the reservation of the right to conduct finalization of details with the selected source in accordance with HHSAR 315.370.
- e) The process described in FAR 15.101-1 will be employed, which permits the Government to make tradeoffs among cost or price and non-cost factors and to consider award to other than the lowest price offeror or other than the highest technically rated offeror. This process will take into consideration the results of the technical evaluation, the past performance evaluation (if applicable) and the cost analysis.

f) The NIEHS reserves the right to make a single award, multiple awards, or no award at all to the RFP. In addition, the RFP may be amended or canceled as necessary to meet NIEHS requirements. Synopses of awards exceeding \$25,000 will be published in the FedBizOpps.

(14) Reimbursement of Costs for Independent Research and Development Projects (Commercial Organizations Only)

The primary purpose of the Public Health Service (PHS) is to support and advance independent research within the scientific community. This support is provided in the form of contracts and grants totaling approximately 7 billion dollars annually. PHS has established effective, time tested and well recognized and accepted procedures for stimulating and supporting this independent research by selecting from multitudes of proposals those research projects most worthy of support within the constraints of its appropriations. The reimbursement of independent research and development costs not incidental to product improvement, through the indirect cost mechanism, would circumvent this competitive process.

To ensure that all research and development projects receive similar and equal consideration, all offerors may compete for direct funding for independent research and development projects they consider worthy of support by submitting those projects to the appropriate Public Health Service grant and/or contract office for review. Since these projects may be submitted for direct funding, the successful offeror agrees that no costs for any independent research and development project, including applicable indirect costs, will be claimed under any contract resulting from this solicitation.

(15) Salary Rate Limitation in Fiscal Year 2004

Offerors are advised that pursuant to P.L. 108-199, no NIH Fiscal Year 2004 (October 1, 2003 - September 30, 2004) funds may be used to pay the direct annual salary of an individual through any contract awarded as a result of this solicitation at a rate in excess of the Executive Schedule, Level I* (direct salary is exclusive of Overhead, Fringe Benefits and General and Administrative expenses, also referred to as "indirect cost" or "facilities and administrative (F&A) costs"). Direct salary has the same meaning as the term "institutional base salary." An individual's direct salary (or institutional base salary) is the annual compensation that the contractor pays for an individual's appointment whether that individual's time is spent on research, teaching, patient care or other activities. Direct salary (or institutional base salary) excludes any income that an individual may be permitted to earn outside of duties to the contractor.

This does not preclude the offeror from absorbing that portion of an employee's annual salary (plus the dollar amount for fringe benefits and associated indirect costs) that exceeds a rate of the Executive Schedule, Level I*. The salary rate limitation set by P.L. 108-199 applies only to Fiscal Year 2009 funds, however, salary rate ceilings for subsequent years may be included in future DHHS appropriation acts. Multi-year contracts awarded pursuant to this solicitation may be subject to unilateral modifications by the Government if an individual's annual salary exceeds any salary rate ceiling established in future appropriations acts. The Executive Schedule, Level I* annual salary rate limit also applies to individuals proposed under subcontracts, however it does not apply to consultants. P.L. 108-199 states in pertinent part:

"None of the funds appropriated in this Act for the National Institutes of Health, the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, and the Substance Abuse, and Mental Health Services Administration shall be used to pay the salary of an individual through a grant or extramural mechanism at a rate in excess of Executive Level I.*"

*LINK TO EXECUTIVE SCHEDULE SALARIES: http://www.opm.gov/oca/PAYRATES/index.htm

Note: If this award is made in Fiscal Year 2004, the current Fiscal Year 2003 Salary Rate Limitations should be adhered to in the preparation of your proposal. All costs associated with any resultant contract award will be required to be in compliance with the current Fiscal Year 2003 limitations and will be subject to change based on Fiscal Year 2004 Salary Rate Limitations.

(16) Institutional Responsibility Regarding Conflicting Interests of Investigators

EACH INSTITUTION MUST:

- (a) Maintain an appropriate written, enforced policy on conflict of interest that complies with 42 CFR Part 50 Subpart F and/or 45 CFR Part 94 as appropriate and inform each investigator of the Institution's policy, the Investigator's reporting responsibilities, and the applicable regulations. If the Institution carries out the NIH funded research through subgrantees, contractors or collaborators, the Institution must take reasonable steps to ensure that Investigators working for such entities comply with the regulations, either by requiring those investigators to comply with the Institution's policy or by requiring the entities to provide assurances to the Institution that will enable the Institution to comply with the regulations.
- (b) Designate an Institutional official(s) to solicit and review financial disclosure statements from each Investigator who is planning to participate in NIH-funded research.
- (c) Require that by the time an application/proposal is submitted to the NIH each investigator who is planning to participate in the NIH-funded research has submitted to the designated official(s) a listing of his/her known Significant Financial Interests (and those of his/her spouse and dependent children): (i) that would reasonably appear to be affected by the research for which the NIH funding is sought; and (ii) in entities whose financial interests would reasonably appear to be affected by the research. All financial disclosures must be updated during the period of the award, either on an annual basis or as new reportable Significant Financial Interests are obtained.
- (d) Provide guidelines consistent with the regulations for the designated official(s) to identify conflicting interests and take such actions as necessary to ensure that such conflicting interests will be managed, reduced, or eliminated.
- (e) Maintain records, identifiable to each award, of all financial disclosures and all actions taken by the institution with respect to each conflicting interest for: (1) in the case of grants, at least three years from the date of submission of the final expenditures report or, where applicable, from other dates specified in 45 CFR Part 74.53(b) and (2) in the case of contracts, 3 years after final payment or, where applicable, for the other time period specified in 48 CFR Part 4 Subpart 4.7, Contract Records Retention.
- (f) Establish adequate enforcement mechanisms and provide for sanctions where appropriate.
- (g) Certify, in each application/proposal for funding to which the regulations applies, that:
 - there is in effect at the Institution a written and enforced administrative process to identify and manage, reduce or eliminate conflicting interests with respect to all research projects for which funding is sought from the NIH;
 - 2) prior to the Institution's expenditure of any funds under the award, the Institution will report to the awarding component the existence of a conflicting interest (but not the nature of the interest or other details) found by the Institution and assure that the interest has been managed, reduced or eliminated in accord with the regulations; and for any interest that the Institution identifies as conflicting subsequent to the expenditure of funds after award, the report will be made and the conflicting interest managed, reduced, or eliminated, at least on a temporary basis within sixty days of that identification;
 - 3) the Institution agrees to make information available, upon request, to the awarding component regarding all conflicting interests identified by the Institution and how those interested have been managed, reduced, or eliminated to protect the research from bias; and
 - 4) the Institution will otherwise comply with the regulations.

Institutional Management of Conflicting Interests

(a) The designated official(s) must: (1) review all financial disclosures; and (2) determine whether conflict of interest exists, and if so, determine what actions should be taken by the Institution to manage, reduce or eliminate

such conflict of interest. A conflict of interest exists when the designated official(s) reasonably determines that a Significant Financial Interest could directly and significantly affect the design, conduct, or reporting of the NIH-funded research.

Examples of conditions or restrictions that might be imposed to manage actual or potential conflicts of interests include, but are not limited to:

- (i) public disclosure of significant financial interests;
- (ii) monitoring of research by independent reviewers;
- (iii) modification of the research plan;
- (iv) disqualification of the Investigator(s) from participation in all or a portion of the research funded by the awarding component;
- (v) divestiture of significant financial interests; or
- (vi) severance of relationships that create actual or potential conflicts of interests.
- (b) An Institution may require the management of other conflicting financial interests in addition to those described in paragraph (a) of this section, as the Institution deems appropriate.

(17) ROTC Access and Federal Military Recruiting on Campus

Section 514 of the FY 1997 Appropriations Act prohibits NIH from providing contract funds to educational institutions that the Secretary of Defense determines have a policy or practice (regardless of when implemented) that either prohibits, or in effect prevents (1) the maintaining, establishing, or operation of a unit of the Senior Reserve Officer Training Corps at the covered education entity; or (2) a student at the covered educational entity from enrolling in a unit of the Senior Reserve Officer Training Corps at another institution of higher education.

Further, contract funds may not be provided to educational institutions that have a policy or practice that prohibits or prevents (1) entry to campuses, or access to students (who are 17 years of age or older) on campuses, for purposes of Federal military recruiting; or (2) access by military recruiters for purposes of Federal military recruiting to information pertaining to students (who are 17 years of age or older) enrolled at the covered educational entity.

(18) Past Performance Information

a) Offerors shall submit the following information as part of their [business/technical] proposal.

A list of the last contracts completed during the past [one/two/three] years and [all contracts/the last contracts awarded] currently in process that are similar in nature to the solicitation workscope. Contracts listed may include those entered into by the Federal Government, agencies of state and local governments and commercial concerns. Offerors that are newly formed entities without prior contracts should list contracts and subcontracts as required above for all key personnel.

Include the following information for each contract or subcontract:

- 1. Name of Contracting Organization
- 2. Contract Number (for subcontracts, provide the prime contract number and the subcontract number)
- 3. Contract Type
- 4. Total Contract Value
- 5. Description of Requirement
- 6. Contracting Officer's Name and Telephone Number
- 7. Program Manager's Name and Telephone Number
- 8. Standard Industrial Code

The offeror shall submit comparable information on all subcontractors that the offeror proposes to perform a major subcontract under this effort. For the purpose of this solicitation, a "major subcontract" is defined as

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The offeror may provide information on problems encountered on the identified contracts and the offeror's corrective actions.

Each offeror will be evaluated on its performance under existing and prior contracts for similar products or services. The Government is not required to contact all references provided by the offeror. Also, references other than those identified by the offeror may be contacted by the Government to obtain additional information that will be used in the evaluation of the offeror's past performance.

(19) Solicitation Provisions Incorporated by Reference, FAR 52.252-1 (February 1998)

This Solicitation incorporates one or more solicitation provisions by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. The offeror is cautioned that the listed provisions may include blocks that must be completed by the offeror and submitted with its quotation or offer. In lieu of submitting the full text provisions, the offeror may identify the provision by paragraph identifier and provide the appropriate information with its quotation or offer. Also, the full text of a solicitation provision may be accessed electronically at this address: http://www.arnet.gov/far/.

FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (48 CFR CHAPTER 1):

- a) Submission of Offers in the English Language, FAR Clause 52.214-34, (April 1991).
- b) Submission of Offers in U.S. Currency, FAR Clause 52.214-35, (April 1991).
- c) Facsimile Proposals, FAR Clause 52.215-5, (October 1997).
- d) Order of Precedence-Uniform Contract Format, FAR Clause 52.215-8, (October 1997).
- e) Preaward On-Site Equal Opportunity Compliance Evaluation, (Over \$10,000,000), FAR Clause 52.222-24, (February 1999).

b. TECHNICAL PROPOSAL INSTRUCTIONS

A detailed work plan must be submitted indicating how each aspect of the statement of work is to be accomplished. Your technical approach should be in as much detail as you consider necessary to fully explain your proposed technical approach or method. The technical proposal should reflect a clear understanding of the nature of the work being undertaken. The technical proposal must include information on how the project is to be organized, staffed, and managed. Information should be provided which will demonstrate your understanding and management of important events or tasks.

(1) Technical Discussions

The technical discussion included in the technical proposal should respond to the items set forth below:

a) Project Objectives, NIH-1688-1

The offeror shall insert a completed NIH Form 1688-1, Project Objective, as provided in Section J, Attachments, behind the Title Page of each copy of the proposal, along with the "Government Notice for Handling Proposals." The NIH Form 1688-1 is to be completed as follows:

- For an **Institution of Higher Education:** The form <u>MUST</u> be completed in its entirety.
- For **OTHER** than an Institution of Higher Education: The starred items (Department, Service, Laboratory or Equivalent, and Major Subdivision) should be left blank.

The information required under the "Summary of Objectives" portion of the form MUST meet the requirements

set forth in the section of the form entitled, "INSTRUCTIONS:"

b) Statement of Work

(1) Objectives

State the overall objectives and the specific accomplishments you hope to achieve. Indicate the rationale for your plan, and relation to comparable work in progress elsewhere. Review pertinent work already published which is relevant to this project and your proposed approach. This should support the scope of the project as you perceive it.

(2) Approach

Use as many subparagraphs, appropriately titled, as needed to clearly outline the general plan of work. Discuss phasing of research and, if appropriate, include experimental design and possible or probable outcome of approaches proposed.

(3) Methods

Describe in detail the methodologies you will use for the project, indicating your level of experience with each, areas of anticipated difficulties, and any unusual expenses you anticipate.

(4) Schedule

Provide a schedule for completion of the work and delivery of items specified in the statement of work. Performance or delivery schedules shall be indicated for phases or segments, as applicable, as well as for the overall program. Schedules shall be shown in terms of calendar months from the date of authorization to proceed or, where applicable, from the date of a stated event, as for example, receipt of a required approval by the Contracting Officer. Unless the request for proposal indicates that the stipulated schedules are mandatory, they shall be treated as desired or recommended schedules. In this event, proposals based upon the offeror's best alternative schedule, involving no overtime, extra shift or other premium, will be accepted for consideration.

c) Personnel

Describe the experience and qualifications of personnel who will be assigned for direct work on this program. Information is required which will show the composition of the task or work group, its general qualifications, and recent experience with similar equipment or programs. Special mention shall be made of direct technical supervisors and key technical personnel, and the approximate percentage of the total time each will be available for this program.

OFFERORS SHOULD ASSURE THAT THE PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR, AND ALL OTHER PERSONNEL PROPOSED, SHALL NOT BE COMMITTED ON FEDERAL GRANTS AND CONTRACTS FOR MORE THAN A TOTAL OF 100% OF THEIR TIME. IF THE SITUATION ARISES WHERE IT IS DETERMINED THAT A PROPOSED EMPLOYEE IS COMMITTED FOR MORE THAN 100% OF HIS OR HER TIME, THE GOVERNMENT WILL REQUIRE ACTION ON THE PART OF THE OFFEROR TO CORRECT THE TIME COMMITMENT.

(1) Principal Investigator/Project Director

List the name of the Principal Investigator/Project Director responsible for overall implementation of the contract and key contact for technical aspects of the project. Even though there may be co-investigators, identify the Principal Investigator/Project Director who will be responsible for the overall implementation of any awarded contract. Discuss the qualifications, experience, and accomplishments of the Principal Investigator/Project Director. State the estimated time to be spent on the project, his/her proposed duties, and the areas or phases for which he/she will be responsible.

(2) Other Investigators

List all other investigators/professional personnel who will be participating in the project. Discuss the qualifications, experience, and accomplishments. State the estimated time each will spend on the project, proposed duties on the project, and the areas or phases for which each will be responsible.

(3) Additional Personnel

List names, titles, and proposed duties of additional personnel, if any, who will be required for full-time employment, or on a subcontract or consultant basis. The technical areas, character, and extent of subcontract or consultant activity will be indicated and the anticipated sources will be specified and qualified. For all proposed personnel who are not currently members of the offeror's staff, a letter of commitment or other evidence of availability is required. A resume does not meet this requirement. Commitment letters for use of consultants and other personnel to be hired must include:

- -The specific items or expertise they will provide.
- -Their availability to the project and the amount of time anticipated.
- -Willingness to act as a consultant.
- -How rights to publications and patents will be handled.

(4) Resumes

Resumes of all key personnel are required. Each must indicate educational background, recent experience, specific or technical accomplishments, and a listing of relevant publications.

(2) Technical Evaluation

Proposals will be technically evaluated in accordance with the factors, weights, and order of relative importance as described in the Technical Evaluation Criteria (Section M.__., hereof).

(3) Additional Technical Proposal Information

- a) Proposals which merely offer to conduct a program in accordance with the requirements of the Government's scope of work will not be eligible for award. The offeror must submit an explanation of the proposed technical approach in conjunction with the tasks to be performed in achieving the project objectives.
- b) The technical evaluation is conducted in accordance with the weighted technical evaluation criteria by an initial review panel. This evaluation produces a numerical score (points) which is based upon the information contained in the offeror's proposal only.

(4) Other Considerations

Record and discuss specific factors not included elsewhere which support your proposal. Using specifically titled subparagraphs, items may include:

- a) Any agreements and/or arrangements with subcontractor(s). Provide as much detail as necessary to explain how the statement of work will be accomplished within this working relationship.
- b) Unique arrangements, equipment, etc., which none or very few organizations are likely to have which is advantageous for effective implementation of this project.
- c) Equipment and unusual operating procedures established to protect personnel from hazards associated with this project.
- d) Other factors you feel are important and support your proposed research.
- e) Recommendations for changing reporting requirements if such changes would be more compatible with the

(5) Information Technology Systems Security

(a) Sensitivity and Security Level Designations.

The Statement of Work (SOW) requires the successful offeror to develop or access a Federal Automated Information System (AIS). Based upon the security guidelines contained in the *Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Automated Information Systems Security Program (AISSP) Handbook*, the Government has determined that the following apply:

(1)	Category of Safeguarded Information
	The safeguarded agency information that the successful offeror will develop or access is categorized as:
	 Non Sensitive Information Sensitive Information Classified Information: Confidential [] Secret [] Top Secret [] Special Access
(2)	Security Level Designations
	The information that the successful offeror will develop or access is designated as follows:
	Level applies to the sensitivity of the data. Level applies to the operational criticality of the data.
	The overall Security Level designation for this requirement is Level
(3)	Position Sensitivity Designations
	Prior to award, the Government will determine the position sensitivity designation for each contractor employee that the successful offeror proposes to work under the contract. For proposal preparation purposes, the following designations apply:
	[] Level 6C: Sensitive - High Risk (Requires Suitability Determination with a BI). Contractor employees assigned to a Level 6C position are subject to a Background Investigation (BI).
	 Level 5C: Sensitive - Moderate Risk (Requires Suitability Determination with NACIC). Contractor employees assigned to a Level 5C position with no previous investigation and approval shall undergo a National Agency Check and Inquiry Investigation plus a Credit Check (NACIC), or possibly a Limited Background Investigation (LBI).
	 Level 4C: Classified (Requires Special Access Clearance with an SSBI). Contractor employees assigned to a Level 4C position are subject to a Single Scope Background Investigation (SSBI).
	 Level 3C: Classified (Requires Top Secret Clearance with an SSBI). Contractor employees assigned to a Level 3C position are subject to a Single Scope Background Investigation (SSBI).
	 Level 2C: Classified (Requires Confidential or Secret Clearance with an LBI). Contractor employees assigned to a Level 2C position shall undergo a Limited Background Investigation (LBI).
	 Level 1C: Non Sensitive (Requires Suitability Determination with an NACI). Contractor employees assigned to a Level 1C position are subject to a National Agency Check and Inquiry Investigation (NACI).

Contractor employees who have met investigative requirements within the past five years may only require an

updated or upgraded investigation.

(b) Information Technology (IT) System Security Program

The offeror's proposal must:

- (1) Include a detailed outline (commensurate with the size and complexity of the requirements of the SOW) of its present and proposed IT systems security program;
- (2) Demonstrate that it complies with the AISSP security requirements, the Computer Security Act of 1987; Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-130, Appendix III, "Security of Federal Automated Information Systems;" and the DHHS AISSP Handbook.

At a minimum, the offeror's proposed information technology systems security program must address the minimum requirements of a **Security Level** * identified in the DHHS AISSP Handbook, Exhibit III-A, Matrix of Minimum Security Safeguards.

- (3) Include an acknowledgment of its understanding of the security requirements.
- (4) Provide similar information for any proposed subcontractor developing or accessing an AIS.

(c) Required Training for IT Systems Security

DHHS policy requires that contractors receive security training commensurate with their responsibilities for performing work under the terms and conditions of their contractual agreements.

The successful offeror will be responsible for assuring that each contractor employee has completed the following NIH Computer Security Awareness Training course prior to performing any contract work: http://irtsectraining.nih.gov/. The contractor will be required to maintain a listing of all individuals who have completed this training and submit this listing to the Government.

Additional security training requirements commensurate with the position may be required as defined in OMB Circular A-130 or NIST Special Publication 800-16, "Information Technology Security Training Requirements." These documents provide information about IT security training that may be useful to potential offerors.

(d) Prospective Offeror Non-Disclosure Agreement

The Government has determined that prospective offerors will require access to sensitive information described below in order to prepare an offer.

Any individual having access to this information must possess a valid and current suitability determination at the following level

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Level 6C: Sensitive - High RiskLevel 5C: Sensitive - Moderate Risk
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To be considered for access to this sensitive information, a prospective offeror must:

- (1) Submit a written request to the Contracting Officer identified in the solicitation;
- (2) Complete and submit the "Prospective Offeror Non-Disclosure Agreement" provided as an attachment in Section J of this solicitation; and
- (3) Receive written approval from the Contracting Officer.

Prospective offerors are required to process their requests for access, receive Government approval, and then access the sensitive information within the period of time provided in the solicitation for the preparation of offers.

Nothing in this provision shall be construed, in any manner, by a prospective offeror as an extension to the stated

date, time, and location in the solicitation for the submission of offers.

(e) References

The following documents are electronically accessible:

- (1) OMB Circular A-130, Appendix III: http://csrc.ncsl.nist.gov/secplcy/a130app3.txt
- (2) DHHS AISSP Handbook: http://irm.cit.nih.gov/policy/aissp.html
- (3) DHHS Personnel Security/Suitability Handbook: http://www.hhs.gov/ohr/manual/pssh.pdf
- (4) NIH Applications/Systems Security Template: http://cit.nih.gov/security/secplantemp.html
- (5) NIST Special Publication 800-16, "Information Technology Security Training Requirements:" http://csrc.nist.gov/publications/nistpubs/800-16/800-16.pdf
- (6) NIH CIT-Policies, Guidelines and Regulations:
 - Table 1 Categories of Safeguarded Agency Information:

http://irm.cit.nih.gov/security/table1.htm

Table 2 - Security Level Designations for Agency Information:

http://irm.cit.nih.gov/security/table2.htm

Table 3 - Positions Sensitivity Designations for Individuals Accessing Agency Information: http://irm.cit.nih.gov/security/table3.htm

c. BUSINESS PROPOSAL INSTRUCTIONS

(1) Basic Cost/Price Information

The business proposal must contain sufficient information to allow the Government to perform a basic analysis of the proposed cost or price of the work. This information shall include the amounts of the basic elements of the proposed cost or price. These elements will include, as applicable, direct labor, fringe benefits, travel, materials, subcontracts, purchased parts, shipping, indirect costs and rate, fee, and profit.

(2) **Proposal Cover Sheet**

The following information shall be provided on the first page of your pricing proposal:

- 1. Solicitation, contract, and/or modification number;
- 2. Name and address of Offeror;
- 3. Name and telephone number of point of contact;
- 4. Name, address, and telephone number of Contract Administration Office, (if available);
- 5. Name, address, and telephone number of Audit Office (if available);
- 6. Proposed cost and/or price; profit or fee (as applicable); and total;
- 7. The following statement: By submitting this proposal, the offeror, if selected for discussions, grants the contracting officer or an authorized representative the right to examine, at any time before award, any of those books, records, documents, or other records directly pertinent to the information requested or submitted.
- 8. Date of submission; and
- 9. Name, title and signature of authorized representative.

This cover sheet information is for use by offerors to submit information to the Government when cost or pricing data are not required but information to help establish price reasonableness or cost realism is necessary. Such information is not considered cost or pricing data, and shall not be certified in accordance with FAR 15.406-2.

(3) Information Other than Cost or Pricing Data

a) The information submitted shall consist of data to permit the Contracting Officer and authorized representatives to determine price reasonableness or cost realism, e.g., information to support an analysis of material costs (when sufficient information on labor and overhead rates is already available), or information on prices and quantities

at which the offeror has previously sold the same or similar items.

Any information submitted must support the price proposed. Include sufficient detail or cross references to clearly establish the relationship of the information provided to the price proposed. Support any information provided by explanations or supporting rational as needed to permit the Contracting Officer and authorized representative to evaluate the documentation.

[Unless otherwise stated in this solicitation, the information may be submitted in the offeror's own format.]

b) The information submitted shall be at the level of detail described below.

1. Direct Labor

Provide a time-phased (e.g., monthly, quarterly, etc.) breakdown of labor hours, rates, and cost by appropriate category. Key personnel will be separately estimated as above and identified. Give the basis for the estimates in each case.

2. Materials

Provide a consolidated price summary of individual material quantities included in the various tasks, orders, or contract line items being proposed and the basis for pricing (vendor quotes, invoice prices, etc.).

3. Subcontracted Items

Include parts, components, assemblies, and services that are to be produced or performed by others in accordance with offeror's design, specifications, or direction and that are applicable only to the prime contract. For each subcontract over \$550,000, the support should provide a listing by source, item, quantity, price, type of subcontract, degree of competition, and basis for establishing source and reasonableness of price, as well as the results of review and evaluation of subcontract proposals when required by FAR 15.404-3.

4 Raw Materials

Consists of material in a form or state that requires further processing. Provide priced quantities of items required for the proposal.

5. Purchased Parts

Includes material items not covered above. Provide priced quantities of items required for the proposal.

6. Fringe Benefits

Show fringe benefits as a separate line item. Include the rate(s) and/or method of calculating fringe benefits. Provide a copy of your fringe benefit rate or institutional guidelines.

7. Indirect Costs

Indicate how offeror has computed and applied offeror's indirect costs, including cost breakdowns, and provide a basis for evaluating the reasonableness of proposed rates. Indicate the rates used and provide an appropriate explanation. Where a rate agreement exists, provide a copy.

8. **Special Equipment**

If direct charge, list any equipment proposed including description, price, quantity, total price, purchase or lease, and the basis for pricing.

9. Travel

Provide the cost of travel including destination, duration, purpose, per diem, transportation, and the basis for pricing.

10. Other Costs

List all other costs not otherwise included in the categories described above (e.g., computer services, consultant services) and provide basis for pricing.

(4) Qualifications of the Offeror

You are requested to submit a summary of your "General Experience, Organizational Experience Related to this RFP, Performance History and Pertinent Contracts."

a) General Experience

General experience is defined as general background, experience and qualifications of the offeror. A discussion of proposed facilities which can be devoted to the project may be appropriate.

b) Organizational Experience Related to the RFP

Organizational experience is defined as the accomplishment of work, either past or on-going, which is comparable or related to the effort required by this RFP. This includes overall offeror or corporate experience, **but not** the experience and/or past performance of individuals who are proposed as personnel involved with the Statement of Work in this RFP.

c) Performance History

Performance history is defined as meeting contract objectives within <u>delivery</u> and <u>cost schedules</u> on efforts, either past or on-going, which is comparable or related to the effort required by this RFP.

d) Pertinent Contracts

Pertinent contracts are defined as a listing of each related contract completed within the last three years or currently in process. The listing should include: 1) the contract number; 2) contracting agency; 3) contract dollar value; 4) dates contract began and ended (or ends); 5) description of contract work; 6) explanation of relevance of work to this RFP; 7) actual delivery and cost performance versus delivery and cost agreed to in the contract(s). For award fee contracts, separately state in dollars the base fee and award fee available and the award fee actually received. The same type of organizational experience and past performance data should be submitted.

e) Pertinent Grants

List grants supported by the Government that involved similar or related work to that called for in this RFP. Include the grant number, involved agency, names of the grant specialist and the Science Administrator, identification of the work, and when performed.

You are cautioned that omission or an inadequate or inaccurate response to this very important RFP requirement could have a negative effect on the overall selection process. Experience and past performance are factors which are relevant to the ability of the offerors to perform and are considered in the source selection process.

(5) Other Administrative Data

a) Property

(1) It is DHHS policy that Contractors will provide all equipment and facilities necessary for performance of contracts. Exception may be granted to furnish Government-owned property, or to authorize purchase with contract funds, only when approved by the Contracting Officer. If the offeror is proposing that the Government provide any equipment, other than that specified under Government Furnished Property in

the RFP, the proposal must include comprehensive justification which includes:

- (a) An explanation that the item is for a special use essential to the direct performance of the contract and the item will be used exclusively for the purpose. Office equipment such as desks, office machines, etc., will not be provided under a contract except under very exceptional circumstances.
- (b) No practical or economical alternative exists (e.g., rental, capital investment) that can be used to perform the work.
- (2) The offeror shall identify Government-owned property in its possession and/or Contractor titled property acquired from Federal funds, which it proposes to use in the performance of the prospective contract.
- (3) The management and control of any Government property shall be in accordance with DHHS Publication (OS) 686 entitled, "Contractor's Guide for Control of Government Property (1990)," a copy of which will be provided upon request.

b) Royalties

The offeror shall furnish information concerning royalties which are anticipated to be paid in connection with performance of work under the proposed contract.

c) Submission of Electronic Funds Transfer Information with Offer, FAR Clause 52.232-38, (May 1999)

The offeror shall provide, with its offer, the following information that is required to make payment by electronic funds transfer (EFT) under any contract that results from this solicitation. This submission satisfies the requirement to provide EFT information under paragraphs (b)(1) and (j) of the clause at 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer--Other than Central Contractor Registration.

- (1) The solicitation number (or other procurement identification number).
- (2) The offeror's name and remittance address, as stated in the offer.
- (3) The signature (manual or electronic, as appropriate), title, and telephone number of the offeror's official authorized to provide this information.
- (4) The name, address, and 9-digit Routing Transit Number of the offeror's financial agent.
- (5) The offeror's account number and the type of account (checking, savings, or lockbox).
- (6) If applicable, the Fedwire Transfer System telegraphic abbreviation of the offeror's financial agent.
- (7) If applicable, the offeror shall also provide the name, address, telegraphic abbreviation, and 9-digit Routing Transit Number of the correspondent financial institution receiving the wire transfer payment if the offeror's financial agent is not directly on-line to the Fedwire and, therefore, not the receiver of the wire transfer payment.

d) Financial Capacity

The offeror shall indicate if it has the necessary financial capacity, working capital, and other resources to perform the contract without assistance from any outside source. If not, indicate the amount required and the anticipated source.

e) Incremental Funding

An incrementally funded cost-reimbursement contract is a contract in which the total work effort is to be performed over a multiple year period and funds are allotted, as they become available, to cover discernible phases or increments of performance. The incremental funding technique allows for contracts to be awarded for periods in excess of one year even though the total estimated amount of funds expected to be obligated for the contract are not available at the time of the contract award. If this requirement is specified elsewhere in this RFP, the offeror shall submit a cost proposal for each year. In addition, the following provisions are applicable:

HHSAR 352.232-75, Incremental Funding (January 2001)

- (a) It is the Government's intention to negotiate and award a contract using the incremental funding concepts described in the clause entitled Limitation of Funds. Under the clause, which will be included in the resultant contract, initial funds will be obligated under the contract to cover the first year of performance. Additional funds are intended to be allotted to the contract by contract modification, up to and including the full estimated cost of the contract, to accomplish the entire project. While it is the Government's intention to progressively fund this contract over the entire period of performance up to and including the full estimated cost, the Government will not be obligated to reimburse the Contractor for costs incurred in excess of the periodic allotments, nor will the Contractor be obligated to perform in excess of the amount allotted.
- (b) The Limitation of Funds clause to be included in the resultant contract shall supersede the Limitation of Cost clause found in the General Provisions.

(End of provision)

f) Facilities Capital Cost of Money, FAR 52.215-16, (October 1997)

(This is applicable if you are a commercial organization.)

- (a) Facilities capital cost of money [(see FAR 15.408(h)] will be an allowable cost under the contemplated contract, if the criteria for allowability in subparagraph 31.205-10(a)(2) of the Federal Acquisition Regulation are met. One of the allowability criteria requires the prospective Contractor to propose facilities capital cost of money in its offer.
- (b) If the prospective Contractor does not propose this cost, the resulting contract will include the clause Waiver of Facilities Capital Cost of Money.

(End of Provision)

If the offeror elects to claim this cost, the offeror shall specifically identify or propose it in the cost proposal for the contract by checking the appropriate box below.

- [] The prospective Contractor has specifically identified or proposed facilities capital cost of money in its cost proposal and elects to claim this cost as an allowable cost under the contract. Submit Form CASB-CMF (see FAR 31.205-10).
- [] The prospective Contractor has not specifically identified or proposed facilities capital cost of money in its proposal and elects not to claim it as an allowable cost under the contract.

(6) Subcontractors

If subcontractors are proposed, please include a commitment letter from the subcontractor detailing:

- a) Willingness to perform as a subcontractor for specific duties (list duties).
- b) What priority the work will be given and how it will relate to other work.
- c) The amount of time and facilities available to this project.
- d) Information on their cognizant field audit offices.
- e) How rights to publications and patents are to be handled.
- f) A complete cost proposal in the same format as the offeror's cost proposal.

Note: Organizations that plan to enter into a subcontract with an educational concern under a contract awarded under this RFP should refer to the following Web Site for a listing of clauses that are required to be incorporated in Research & Development (R&D) subcontracts with educational institutions:

http://ocm.od.nih.gov/contracts/rfps/FDP/FDPclausecover.htm

(7) Proposer's Annual Financial Report

**** This document is INCLUDED in the "Just In Time" procedures. Specific instructions for the submission of this document are outlined in SECTION L.1.a. of this RFP. ****

All offerors included in the competitive range will be required to submit a copy of the organization's most recent annual financial report.

OR

A copy of the organization's most recent annual report must be submitted as part of the business proposal.

(8) Representations and Certifications

One copy of the Representations and Certifications attached as Section K shall be completed and be signed by an official authorized to bind your organization. Additionally, a completed copy of the Representations and Certifications shall be submitted from any proposed subcontractor.

(9) Travel Costs/Travel Policy

a) Travel Costs - Commercial

Costs for lodging, meals, and incidental expenses incurred by Contractor personnel shall be considered to be reasonable and allowable to the extent they do not exceed on a daily basis the per diem rates set forth in the Federal Travel Regulations, General Services Administration (GSA). Therefore, if travel costs are applicable and proposed by offerors, please be advised that they shall be calculated using the per diem rate schedule as established by GSA. Reimbursement of travel costs under any contract awarded from this RFP shall be in accordance with FAR 31.205-46.

b) Travel Policy

**** This document is INCLUDED in the "Just In Time" procedures. Specific instructions for the submission of this document are outlined in SECTION L.1.a. of this RFP. ****

All offerors included within the competitive range will be required to submit one copy of their written travel policy. A written travel policy for any proposed subcontractors shall also be submitted at that time. If an offeror (or any proposed subcontractor) does not have a written travel policy, the offeror shall so state.

OR

One copy of the offeror's (and any proposed subcontractor's) written travel policy shall be included in the business proposal (original only). If an offeror (or any proposed subcontractor) does not have a written travel policy, the offeror shall so state.

SECTION M - EVALUATION FACTORS FOR AWARD

a. **GENERAL**

The major evaluation factors for this solicitation include technical (which encompasses experience and past performance factors) cost/price factors and Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB) Participation. Although technical factors are of paramount consideration in the award of the contract, cost/price and SDB participation is also important to the overall contract award decision. All evaluation factors other than cost or price, when combined, are [significantly more important than cost or price/approximately equal to cost or price/significantly less important than cost or price]. In any case, the Government reserves the right to make an award(s) to that offeror whose proposal provides the best overall value to the Government.

The evaluation will be based on the demonstrated capabilities of the prospective Contractors in relation to the needs of the project as set forth in the RFP. The merits of each proposal will be evaluated carefully. Each proposal must document the feasibility of successful implementation of the requirements of the RFP. Offerors must submit information sufficient to evaluate their proposals based on the detailed criteria listed below.

b. EVALUATION OF OPTIONS

It is anticipated that any contract awarded from this solicitation will contain option provisions and periods.

In accordance with FAR Clause 52.217-5, Evaluation of Options. (July 1990), the Government will evaluate offers for award purposes by adding the total price for all options to the total price for the basic requirement, except when it is determined in accordance with FAR 17.206(b) not to be in the Government's best interests. Evaluation of options will not obligate the Government to exercise the option(s).

c. PAST PERFORMANCE FACTOR

An evaluation of offeror's past performance information will be conducted subsequent to the technical evaluation. However, this evaluation will not be conducted on any offeror whose proposal would not be selected for award based on the results of the evaluation of factors other than past performance.

The evaluation will be based on information obtained from references provided by the offeror, other relevant past performance information obtained from other sources known to the Government, and any information supplied by the offeror concerning problems encountered on the identified contracts and corrective action taken.

The government will assess the relative risks associated with each offeror. Performance risks are those associated with an offeror's likelihood of success in performing the acquisition requirements as indicated by that offeror's record of past performance.

The assessment of performance risk is not intended to be a product of a mechnaical or mathematical analysis of an offeror's performance on a list of contracts but rather the product of subjective judgement by the Government after it considers relevant information.

When assessing performance risks, the Government will focus on the past performance of the offeror as it relates to all acquisition requirements, such as the offeror's record of performing according to specifications, including standards of good workmanship; the offeror's record of controlling and forecasting costs; the offeror's adherence to contract schedules, including the administrative aspects of performance; the offeror's reputation for reasonable and cooperative behavior and commitment to customer satisfaction; and generally, the offeror's business-like concern for the interest of the customer.

The Government will consider the currency and relevance of the information, source of the information, context of the data, and general trends in the offeror's performance.

The lack of a relevant performance record may result in an unknown performance risk assessment, which will neither be used to the advantage nor disadvantage of the offeror.

d. TECHNICAL EVALUATION CRITERIA

The evaluation criteria are used by the technical evaluation committee when reviewing the technical proposals. The criteria below are listed in the order of relative importance with weights assigned for evaluation purposes.

Factor Weight

A. Understanding project goals and demonstrated capability to conduct the project

90 Points

Offerors should demonstrate a thorough understanding of the requirements of the Statement of Work and describe the approach they will use which will demonstrate the achievement of a timely and acceptable performance.

B. Facilities and Equipment

10 Points

Offeror should describe in detail the facilities and equipment proposed for the work to be performed. These include, but are not limited to, specialized computer data acquisition systems for entry and data transfer to the NTP database.

PACKAGING AND DELIVERY OF THE PROPOSAL

Your proposal shall be organized as specified in Section L.2., "Instructions to Offerors" - General Instructions. Shipment and marking shall be as indicated below.

EXTERNAL PACKAGE MARKING

In addition to the address cited below, mark each package as follows:

"RFP NO. NIH-ES-04-09

TO BE OPENED BY AUTHORIZED GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL ONLY"

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CAREFULLY:

NUMBER OF COPIES

TECHNICAL PROPOSAL: ORIGINAL * AND 6 COPIES TO: Contract Specialist (See Instructions Below)

BUSINESS PROPOSAL: ORIGINAL *AND 4 COPIES TO: Contract Specialist (See Instructions Below)

If hand-delivered or delivery service

If using U.S. Postal Service

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*THE <u>ORIGINALS</u> MUST BE READILY ACCESSIBLE FOR DATE STAMPING PURPOSES.

INVOICE/FINANCING REQUEST AND CONTRACT FINANCIAL REPORTING INSTRUCTIONS FOR NIH COST-REIMBURSEMENT CONTRACTS, NIH(RC)-4

General: The contractor shall submit claims for reimbursement in the manner and format described herein and as illustrated in the sample invoice/financing request.

Format: Standard Form 1034, "Public Voucher for Purchases and Services Other Than Personal," and Standard Form 1035, "Public Voucher for Purchases and Services Other Than Personal-- Continuation Sheet," or reproduced copies of such forms marked ORIGINAL should be used to submit claims for reimbursement. In lieu of SF-1034 and SF-1035, claims may be submitted on the payee's letter-head or self-designed form provided that it contains the information shown on the sample invoice/financing request.

Number of Copies: As indicated in the Invoice Submission Clause in the contract.

Frequency: Invoices/financing requests submitted in accordance with the Payment Clause shall be submitted monthly unless otherwise authorized by the contracting officer.

Cost Incurrence Period: Costs incurred must be within the contract performance period or covered by precontract cost provisions.

Billing of Costs Incurred: If billed costs include: (l) costs of a prior billing period, but not previously billed; or (2) costs incurred during the contract period and claimed after the contract period has expired, the amount and month(s) in which such costs were incurred shall be cited.

Contractor's Fiscal Year: Invoices/financing requests shall be prepared in such a manner that costs claimed can be identified with the contractor's fiscal year.

Currency: All NIH contracts are expressed in United States dollars. When payments are made in a currency other than United States dollars, billings on the contract shall be expressed, and payment by the United States Government shall be made, in that other currency at amounts coincident with actual costs incurred. Currency fluctuations may not be a basis of gain or loss to the contractor. Notwithstanding the above, the total of all invoices paid under this contract may not exceed the United States dollars authorized.

Costs Requiring Prior Approval: Costs requiring the contracting officer's approval, which are not set forth in an Advance Understanding in the contract shall be so identified and reference the Contracting Officer's Authorization (COA) Number. In addition, any cost set forth in an Advance Understanding shall be shown as a separate line item on the request.

Invoice/Financing Request Identification: Each invoice/financing request shall be identified as either:

- (a) **Interim Invoice/Contract Financing Request** These are interim payment requests submitted during the contract performance period.
- (b) **Completion Invoice** The completion invoice is submitted promptly upon completion of the work; but no later than one year from the contract completion date, or within 120 days after settlement of the final indirect cost rates covering the year in which this contract is physically complete (whichever date is later). The completion invoice should be submitted when all costs have been assigned to the contract and all performance provisions have been completed.
- (c) **Final Invoice** A final invoice may be required after the amounts owed have been settled between the Government and the contractor (e.g., resolution of all suspensions and audit exceptions).

Preparation and Itemization of the Invoice/Financing Request: The contractor shall furnish the information set forth in the explanatory notes below. These notes are keyed to the entries on the sample invoice/financing request.

- (a) **Designated Billing Office Name and Address** Enter the designated billing office and address, identified in the Invoice Submission Clause of the contract, on all copies of the invoice/financing request.
- (b) **Invoice/Financing Request Number** Insert the appropriate serial number of the invoice/financing request.

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- (c) **Date Invoice/Financing Request Prepared** Insert the date the invoice/financing request is prepared.
- (d) Contract Number and Date Insert the contract number and the effective date of the contract.
- (e) Payee's Name and Address Show the contractor's name (as it appears in the contract), correct address, and the title and phone number of the responsible official to whom payment is to be sent. When an approved assignment has been made by the contractor, or a different payee has been designated, then insert the name and address of the payee instead of the contractor.
- (f) **Total Estimated Cost of Contract** Insert the total estimated cost of the contract, exclusive of fixed-fee. For incrementally funded contracts, enter the amount currently obligated and available for payment.
- (g) **Total Fixed-Fee** Insert the total fixed-fee (where applicable). For incrementally funded contracts, enter the amount currently obligated and available for payment.
- (h) **Billing Period** Insert the beginning and ending dates (month, day, and year) of the period in which costs were incurred and for which reimbursement is claimed.
- (i) **Incurred Cost Current** Insert the amount billed for the major cost elements, adjustments, and adjusted amounts for the current period.
- (j) **Incurred Cost Cumulative** Insert the cumulative amounts billed for the major cost elements and adjusted amounts claimed during this contract.
- (k) **Direct Costs** Insert the major cost elements. For each element, consider the application of the paragraph entitled "Costs Requiring Prior Approval" on page 1 of these instructions.
 - (l) Direct Labor Include salaries and wages paid (or accrued) for direct performance of the contract. For Key Personnel, list each employee on a separate line. List other employees as one amount unless otherwise required by the contract.
 - (2) **Fringe Benefits** List any fringe benefits applicable to direct labor and billed as a direct cost. Fringe benefits included in indirect costs should not be identified here.
 - (3) **Accountable Personal Property** Include permanent research equipment and general purpose equipment having a unit acquisition cost of \$1,000 or more and having an expected service life of more than two years, and sensitive property regardless of cost (see the DHHS *Contractor's Guide for Control of Government Property*). Show permanent research equipment separate from general purpose equipment. Prepare and attach Form HHS-565, "Report of Accountable Property," in accordance with the following instructions:

List each item for which reimbursement is requested. A reference shall be made to the following (as applicable):

- The item number for the specific piece of equipment listed in the Property Schedule.
- The Contracting Officer's Authorization letter and number, if the equipment is not covered by the Property Schedule.
- Be preceded by an asterisk (*) if the equipment is below the approval level.
- (4) **Materials and Supplies** Include equipment with unit costs of less than \$1,000 or an expected service life of two years or less, and consumable material and supplies regardless of amount.
- (5) **Premium Pay** List remuneration in excess of the basic hourly rate.
- (6) Consultant Fee List fees paid to consultants. Identify consultant by name or category as set forth in the contract's Advance Understanding or in the COA letter, as well as the effort (i.e., number of hours, days, etc.) and rate being billed.

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- (7) **Travel** Include domestic and foreign travel. Foreign travel is travel outside of Canada, the United States and its territories and possessions. However, for an organization located outside Canada, the United States and its territories and possessions, foreign travel means travel outside that country. Foreign travel must be billed separately from domestic travel.
- (8) **Subcontract Costs** List subcontractor(s) by name and amount billed.
- (9) Other List all other direct costs in total unless exceeding \$1,000 in amount. If over \$1,000, list cost elements and dollar amounts separately. If the contract contains restrictions on any cost element, that cost element must be listed separately.
- (l) Cost of Money (COM) Cite the COM factor and base in effect during the time the cost was incurred and for which reimbursement is claimed.
- (m) **Indirect Costs--Overhead** Identify the cost base, indirect cost rate, and amount billed for each indirect cost category.
- (n) Fixed-Fee Earned Cite the formula or method of computation for the fixed-fee (if any). The fixed-fee must be claimed as provided for by the contract.
- (o) **Total Amounts Claimed** Insert the total amounts claimed for the current and cumulative periods.
- (p) Adjustments Include amounts conceded by the contractor, outstanding suspensions, and/or disapprovals subject to appeal.
- (q) Grand Totals

The contracting officer may require the contractor to submit detailed support for costs claimed on one or more interim invoices/financing requests.

FINANCIAL REPORTING INSTRUCTIONS:

These instructions are keyed to the Columns on the sample invoice/financing request.

Column A--Expenditure Category - Enter the expenditure categories required by the contract.

Column B--Cumulative Percentage of Effort/Hrs.-Negotiated - Enter the percentage of effort or number of hours agreed to doing contract negotiations for each employee or labor category listed in Column A.

Column C--Cumulative Percentage of Effort/Hrs.-Actual - Enter the percentage of effort or number of hours worked by each employee or labor category listed in Column A.

Column D--Incurred Cost-Current - Enter the costs, which were incurred during the current period.

Column E--Incurred Cost-Cumulative - Enter the cumulative cost to date.

Column F--Cost at Completion - Enter data only when the contractor estimates that a particular expenditure category will vary from the amount negotiated. Realistic estimates are essential.

Column G-- Contract Amount - Enter the costs agreed to during contract negotiations for all expenditure categories listed in Column A.

Column H--Variance (Over or Under) - Show the difference between the estimated costs at completion (Column F) and negotiated costs (Column G) when entries have been made in Column F. This column need not be filled in when Column F is blank. When a line item varies by plus or minus 10 percent, i.e., the percentage arrived at by dividing Column F by Column G, an explanation of the variance should be submitted. In the case of an overrun (net negative variance), this submission shall not be deemed as notice under the Limitation of Cost (Funds) Clause of the contract.

Modifications: Any modification in the amount negotiated for an item since the preceding report should be listed in the appropriate cost category.

Expenditures Not Negotiated: An expenditure for an item for which no amount was negotiated (e.g., at the discretion of the contractor in performance of its contract) should be listed in the appropriate cost category and all columns filled in, except for G. Column H will of course show a 100 percent variance and will be explained along with those identified under H above.

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			(d) Contract No							
P.O. Box 12874 Research Triangle Par	k, NC 27709		Effective Date							
(e) Payee's Name and Ad ABC CORPORATIO 100 Main Street Anywhere, USA zip c Attn: Name, Title, & Phone Payment is Sent	(f) Total Estimated Cost									
(h) This invoice/financing rec			or the period fro	m to	1					
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(k) Direct Costs:										
(1) Direct Labor										
(2) Fringe Benefits										
(3) Accountable Property (attach HHS-565)										
(4) Materials & Supplies										
(5) Premium Pay										
(6) Consultant Fees										
(7) Travel										
(8) Subcontracts										
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(p) Adjustments										
(q) Grand Totals										
I certify that all payments are	for appropriate pur		ordance with the	contract.						
(Name of Official)		(Title)								
* Attach details as specified i	n the contract									

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National Institutes of Health FINANCIAL REPORT OF INDIVIDUAL PROJECT/CONTRACT, NIH FORM 2706				Project Task:			Contract No.:			Date	e of Report:	0990-0134 0990-0131
Note: Complete this Form in Accordance with Accompanying Instructions.				Reporting Period:			Contractor Name and Address:					
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<u>INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING FORM NIH 2706</u> "FINANCIAL REPORT OF INDIVIDUAL PROJECT/CONTRACT"

GENERAL INFORMATION

Purpose. Form NIH 2706 is designed to: (1) provide a management tool for use by be NIH in monitoring the application of financial and personnel resources to the NIH contracts; (2) provide contractors with financial and personnel management data which is usable in their management processes; (3) promptly indicate potential areas of contract underruns or overruns by making possible comparisons of actual performance and projections with prior estimates on individual elements of cost and personnel; and (4) obtain contractor's analyses of cause and effect of significant variations between actual and prior estimates of financial and personnel performance.

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Scope. The specific cost and personnel elements to be reported shall be established by mutual agreement prior to award. The Government may require the contractor to provide detailed documentation to support any element(s) on one or more financial reports.

Number of Copies and Mailing Address. An original and two (2) copies of the report(s) shall be sent to the contracting officer at the address shown on the face page of the contract, no later than 30 working days after the end of the period reported. However, the contract may provide for one of the copies to be sent directly to the project officer.

REPORTING STATISTICS

A modification which extends the period of performance of an existing contract will not require reporting on a separate Form NIH 2706, except where it is determined by the contracting officer that separate reporting is necessary. Furthermore, when incrementally funded contracts are involved, each separate allotment is not considered a separate contract entity (only a funding action). Therefore, the statistics under incrementally funded contracts should be reported cumulatively from the inception of the contract through completion.

Definitions and Instructions for Completing Form NIH 2706. For the purpose of establishing expenditure categories in Column A, the following definitions and instructions will be utilized. Each contract will specify the categories to be reported.

- (1) **Key Personnel.** Include key personnel regardless of annual salary rates. All such individuals should be listed by names and job titles on a separate line including those whose salary is not directly charged to the contract but whose effort is directly associated with the contract. The listing must be kept up to date.
- (2) **Personnel--Other.** List as one amount unless otherwise required by the contract.
- (3) **Fringe Benefits.** Include allowances and services provided by the contractor to employees as compensation in addition to regular salaries and wages. If a fringe benefit rate(s) has been established, identify the base, rate, and amount billed for each category. If a rate has not been established, the various fringe benefit costs may be required to be shown separately. Fringe benefits which are included in the indirect cost rate should not be shown here.
- (4) Accountable Personal Property. Include nonexpendable personal property with an acquisition cost of \$1,000 or more and with an expected useful life of two or more years, and sensitive items regardless of cost. Form HHS 565, "Report of Accountable Property," must accompany the contractor's public voucher (SF 1034/SF 1035) or this report if not previously submitted. See "Contractor's Guide for Control of Government Property."
- (5) **Supplies.** Include the cost of supplies and material and equipment charged directly to the contract, but excludes the cost of nonexpendable equipment as defined in (4) above.
- (6) **Inpatient Care.** Include costs associated with a subject while occupying a bed in a patient care setting. It normally includes both routine and ancillary costs.

- (7) **Outpatient Care.** Include costs associated with a subject while not occupying a bed. It normally includes ancillary costs only.
- (8) **Travel.** Include all direct costs of travel, including transportation, subsistence and miscellaneous expenses. Travel for staff and consultants shall be shown separately. Identify foreign and domestic travel separately. If required by the contract, the following information shall be submitted: (i) Name of traveler and purpose of trip; (ii) Place of departure, destination and return, including time and dates; and (iii) Total cost of trip.
- (9) **Consultant Fee.** Include fees paid to consultant(s). Identify each consultant with effort expended, billing rate, and amount billed.
- (10) **Premium Pay.** Include the amount of salaries and wages over and above the basic rate of pay.
- (11) **Subcontracts.** List each subcontract by name and amount billed.
- (12) **Other Costs.** Include any expenditure categories for which the Government does not require individual line item reporting. It may include some of the above categories.
- (13) Overhead/Indirect Costs. Identify the cost base, indirect cost rate, and amount billed for each indirect cost category.
- (14) **General and Administrative Expense.** Cite the rate and the base. In the case of nonprofit organizations, this item will usually be included in the indirect cost.
- (15) **Fee.** Cite the fee earned, if any.
- (16) Total Costs to the Government.

PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS

These instructions are keyed to the Columns on Form NIH 2706.

Column A--Expenditure Category. Enter the expenditure categories required by the contract.

Column B--Percentage of Effort/Hours Negotiated. Enter the percentage of effort or number of hours agreed to during contract negotiations for each labor category listed in Column A.

Column C--Percentage of Effort/Hours-Actual. Enter the cumulative percentage of effort or number of hours worked by each employee or group of employees listed in Column A.

Column D--Cumulative Incurred Cost at End of Prior Period. Enter the cumulative incurred costs up to the end of the prior reporting period. This column will be blank at the time of the submission of the initial report.

Column E--Incurred Cost-Current Period. Enter the costs which were incurred during the current period.

Column F--Cumulative Incurred Cost to Date. Enter the combined total of Columns D and E.

Column G--Estimated Cost to Complete. Make entries only when the contractor estimates that a particular expenditure category will vary from the amount negotiated. Realistic estimates are essential.

Column H--Estimated Costs at Completion. Complete only if an entry is made in Column G.

Column I--Negotiated Contract Amount. Enter in this column the costs agreed to during contract negotiations for all expenditure categories listed in Column A.

Column J--Variance (Over or Under). Complete only if an entry is made in Column H. When entries have been made in Column H, this column should show the difference between the estimated costs at completion (Column H) and negotiated costs

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(Column I). When a line item varies by plus or minus 10 percent, i.e., the percentage arrived at by dividing Column J by Column I, an explanation of the variance should be submitted. In the case of an overrun (net negative variance), this submission shall not be deemed as notice under the Limitation of Cost (Funds) Clause of the contract.

Modifications. List any modification in the amount negotiated for an item since the preceding report in the appropriate cost category.

Expenditures Not Negotiated. List any expenditure for an item for which no amount was negotiated (e.g., at the discretion of the contractor in performance of its contract) in the appropriate cost category and complete all columns except for I. Column J will of course show a 100 percent variance and will be explained along with those identified under J above.

PROCUREMENT OF CERTAIN EQUIPMENT

Notwithstanding any other clause in this contract, the Contractor will not be reimbursed for the purchase, lease, or rental of any item of equipment listed in the following Federal Supply Groups, regardless of the dollar value, without the prior written approval of the Contracting Officer.

- 67 Photographic Equipment
- 69 Training Aids and Devices
- 70 General Purpose ADP Equipment, Software, Supplies and Support (Excluding 7045-ADP Supplies and Support Equipment.)
- 71 Furniture
- 72 Household and Commercial Furnishings and Appliances
- 74 Office Machines and Visible Record Equipment
- 77 Musical Instruments, Phonographs, and Home-type Radios
- 78 Recreational and Athletic Equipment

When equipment in these Federal Supply Groups is requested by the Contractor and determined essential by the Contracting Officer, the Government will endeavor to fulfill the requirement with equipment available from its excess personal property sources, provided the request is made under a contract. Extensions or renewals of approved existing leases or rentals for equipment in these Federal Supply Groups are excluded from the provisions of this article.

DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

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Complete this form to disclose lobbying activities pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352 (See reverse for public burden disclosure.)

1. Type of Federal Action: a. contract b. grant c. cooperative agreement d. loan e. loan guarantee f. loan insurance	2. Status of Fed a. bid/off b. Initial c. post-aw	er/applica award		3. Report Type: a. initial filing b. material change For Material Change Only: year quarter date of last report	_		
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DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES CONTINUATION SHEET

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AUTHORIZED FOR LOCAL REPRODUCTION STANDARD FORM--LLL-A

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF SF-LLL, DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

This disclosure form shall be completed by the reporting entity, whether subawardee of prime Federal recipient, at the initiation or receipt of a covered Federal action, or a material change to a previous filing, pursuant to title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. The filing of a form is required for each payment or agreement to make payment to any lobbying entity for influencing of attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with a covered Federal action. Use the SF-LLL-A Continuation Sheet for additional information if the space on the form is inadequate. Complete all items that apply for both the initial filing and material change report. Refer to the implementing guidance published by the Office of Management and Budget for additional information.

- 1. Identify the type of covered Federal action for which lobbying activity is and/or has been secured to influence the outcome of a covered Federal action.
- 2. Identify the status of the covered Federal action.
- 3. Identify the appropriate classification of this report. If this is a follow-up report caused by a material change to the information previously reported, enter the year and quarter in which the change occurred. Enter the date of the last previously submitted report by this reporting entity for this covered Federal action.
- 4. Enter the full name, address, city, state and zip code of the reporting entity. Include Congressional District, if known. Check the appropriate classification of the reporting entity that designates if it is, or expects to be, a prime or subaward recipient. Identify the tier of the subawardee, e.g., the first subawardee of the prime is the 1st tier. Subawards include but are not limited to subcontracts, subgrants and contract awards under grants.
- 5. If the organization filing the report in item 4 checks "Subawardee," then enter the full name, address, city, state and zip code of the prime Federal recipient. Include Congressional District, if known.
- 6. Enter the name of the Federal agency making the award or loan commitment. Include at least one organizational level below agency name, if known. For example, Department of Transportation, United States Coast Guard.
- 7. Enter the Federal program name or description for the covered Federal action (item 1). If known, enter the full Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and loan commitments
- 8. Enter the most appropriate Federal identifying number available for the Federal action identified in item 1 (e.g., Request for Proposal (RFP) number, Invitation for Bid (IFB) number, grant announcement number, the contract, grant, or loan award number, the application/proposal control number assigned by the Federal agency). Include prefixes, e.g., "RFP-DE-90-001."
- 9. For a covered Federal action where there has been an award or loan commitment by the Federal agency, enter the Federal amount of the award/loan commitment for the prime entity identified in item 4 or 5.
- 10. (a) Enter the full name, address, city, state and zip code of the lobbying entity engaged by the reporting entity identified in item 4 to influence the covered Federal action.
 - (b) Enter the full names of the individual(s) performing services, and include full address if different from 10(a); Enter Last Name, First Name, and Middle Initial (MI).
- 11. Enter the amount of compensation paid or reasonably expected to be paid by the reporting entity (item 4) to the lobbying entity (item 10). Indicate whether the payment has been made (actual) or will be made (planned). Check all boxes that apply. If this is a material charge report, enter the cumulative amount of payment made or planned to be ma
- 12. Check the appropriate box(es). Check all boxes that apply. If payment is made through an in-kind contribution, specify the nature and value of the in-kind payment.
- 13. Check the appropriate box(es). Check all boxes that apply. If other, specify nature.
- 14. Provide a specific and detailed description of the services that the lobbyist has performed, or will be expected to perform, and the date(s) of any services rendered. Include all preparatory and related activity, not just time spent in actual contact with Federal officials. Identify the Federal official(s) or employee(s) contacted or the officer(s), employee(s), or Member(s) of Congress that were contacted.
- 15. Check whether or not a SF-LLL-A Continuation Sheet(s) is attached.
- 16. The certifying official shall sign and date the form, print his/her name, title and telephone number.

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 30 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this but to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0348-0046), Washington, D.C. 20503.

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PROPOSAL SUMMARY AND DATA RECORD

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Provision of the Social Security Number is voluntary. Social Security Numbers are requested for the purpose of accurate and efficient identification, review, and management of NIH Extramural Programs. Authority for requesting this information is provided by Title III, Section 301, and Title IV of the Public Health Service Act, as amended.

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CONTACT POINTS

Complete the following and return with the <u>BUSINESS PROPOSAL</u>. Name, Title and Address* of Business Representative with whom daily contact is required. Name Telephone Number **Institutional Title** FAX Number **Institutional Office** E-Mail Address Institution Name **Street Address City, State Zip Code Name, <u>Institutional</u> Title and Address of Proposed <u>Principal Investigator</u> Name Telephone Number **Institutional Title** FAX Number E-Mail Address Institutional Division, etc.

**Street Address	
City, State	Zip Code

These exact addresses are necessary to ensure that contact can be made with the proper individual(s) in the most expeditious manner.

^{*} May not necessarily be same as legal address of offeror. **Please use actual street address, not P.O. Box.

TECHNICAL PROPOSAL COST INFORMATION/SUMMARY OF LABOR AND DIRECT COSTS

DIRECT LABOR:								
Labor Category (Title and Name use additional pages as necessary)	Year 1 (Hours)	Year 2 (Hours)	Year 3 (Hours)	Year 4 (Hours)	Year 5 (Hours)	Year 6 (Hours)	Year 7 (Hours)	<u>Total</u>
Total Hours								
<u>DIRECT LABOR COST</u> :	<u>\$</u> \$	<u>\$</u> \$	\$ \$	<u>\$</u> \$				
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TOTAL <u>DIRECT</u> COST:	<u>\$</u> \$	<u>\$</u> \$	<u>\$</u> \$	<u>\$</u> \$				

Specific Instructions:

- 1. Do not include any individual salary information
- 2. Do not include any indirect cost or fee.
- 3. Do not submit the total amount of proposal.
- 4. Submit this information as a portion of the <u>Technical Proposal</u>.

BREAKDOWN OF PROPOSED ESTIMATED COST (PLUS FEE) AND LABOR HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE OF THE FORMAT

- Refer to Business Proposal Instructions, Section L of this solicitation. The Instructions contain the requirements for proper submission of cost/price data which must be adhered to.
- 2. This format has been prepared as a universal guideline for all solicitations issued by the National Cancer Institute. It may require amending to meet the specific requirements of this solicitation. For example, this solicitation may require the submission of cost/price data for three years listed on this form. (See Section L.1., General Information for the estimated duration of this project.) If this solicitation is phased, identify each phase in addition to each year. Total each year, phase, and sub-element.
- 3. This format must be used to submit the breakdown of all proposed estimated cost elements. List each cost element and subelement for direct costs, indirect costs and fee, if applicable. In addition, provide detailed calculations for all items. For example:
 - a. For all personnel, list the name, title, rate per hour and number of hours proposed. If a pool of personnel is proposed, list the composition of the pool and how the cost proposed was calculated. List the factor used for prorating Year One and the escalation rate applied between years.
 - Offeror's proposal should be stated in the same terms as will be used to account for and record direct labor under a contract (i.e. percentage of effort is used for most faculty and professional employees at educational institutions). If percentages of effort are used, the basis to which such percentages are applied <u>must</u> also be submitted by the offeror. The attached format should be revised to accommodate direct labor proposed as a percentage of effort.
 - b. For all materials, supplies, and other direct costs, list all unit prices, etc., to detail how the calculations were made.
 - c. For all indirect costs, list the rates applied and the base the rate is applied to.
 - d. For all travel, list the specifics for each trip.
 - e. For any subcontract proposed, submit a separate breakdown format.
 - f. Justification for the need of some cost elements may be listed as an attachment, i.e., special equipment, above average consultant fees, etc.
- 4. If the Government has provided "uniform pricing assumptions" for this solicitation, the offeror must comply with and identify each item.
- 5. It is requested that you use the ELECTRONIC SPREADSHEET (provided below) to prepare your business proposal in lieu of the hardcopy contained in this Attachment. It is in EXCEL format and has instructions for use and submission. It is anticipated that use of this form will help expedite the review and award process. This electronic cost and price spreadsheet can be accessed at the following URL:

http://ocm.od.nih.gov/contracts/spsh/spshexcl.xls

If you are unable to access this document electronically, you may request a copy from the Contracting Officer identified on the cover page of this solicitation.

For security purposes, please include a hard copy of the completed spreadsheet and submit the electronic file on a diskette with your proposal. The NIEHS is currently not capable of decoding encrypted files.

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BREAKDOWN OF PROPOSED ESTIMATED COST (PLUS FEE) AND LABOR HOURS

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SUMMARY OF RELATED ACTIVITIES

The following specific information must be provided by the offeror pertaining to the Project Director, Principal Investigator, and each of any other proposed key professional individuals designated for performance under any resulting contract.

Identify the total amount of all presently active federal contracts/cooperative agreements/grants and commercial agreements

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PROPOSAL INTENT RESPONSE SHEET

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PLEASE REVII	EW THE ATTACHED REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL. FURNISH THE INFORMATION REQUESTED BELOW
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	National Institutes of Health

National Institutes of Health National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences Attention: 79 T. W. Alexander Drive, 4401 Research Commons Building P.O. Box 12874 Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27709

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

PROJECT OBJECTIVES

SOLICITATION NUMBER: OFFEROR NAME AND ADDRESS:	CONTRACT NUMBER:	(To be inserted by the Contracting Officer
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*MAJOR SUBDIVISION (i.e., "Dental School," "Medical	School," etc., or Major Comp	- ponent Code, if known):
RFP TITLE:		-
PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR:		-
SUMMARY OF OBJECTIVES:		

INSTRUCTIONS: The information supplied on this form MUST meet the following requirements: The summary of objectives MUST fit in the space provided. The height of the letters must not be smaller than 10 point; Helvetica or Arial 12 point is the NIH-suggested font. Type density, including characters and spaces, must be no more than 15 characters per inch (cpi). For proportional spacing, the average for any representative section of text must not exceed 15 cpi. No more than 6 lines of type within a vertical inch. Margins, in all directions, must

THIS FORM MUST BE PLACED BEHIND THE TITLE PAGE OF EACH COPY OF THE TECHNICAL PROPOSAL ALONG WITH THE "GOVERNMENT NOTICE FOR HANDLING PROPOSALS."

be at least ½ inch.

*The insertion of the DEPARTMENT, SERVICE, LABORATORY OR EQUIVALENT (i.e., the Department Name) and MAJOR SUBDIVISION (i.e. "Dental School," "Medical School," etc., or the Major Component Code, if known) is required ONLY for INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

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NOTE: This Notice is for the Technical Evaluation Review Group who will be reviewing the proposals submitted in response to this RFP. THE OFFEROR SHALL PLACE A COPY OF THIS NOTICE BEHIND THE TITLE PAGE OF EACH COPY OF THE TECHNICAL PROPOSAL.

GOVERNMENT NOTICE FOR HANDLING PROPOSALS

This proposal shall be used and disclosed for evaluation purposes only, and a copy of this Government notice shall be applied to any reproduction or abstract thereof. Any authorized restrictive notices which the submitter places on this proposal shall be strictly complied with. Disclosure of this proposal outside the Government for evaluation purposes shall be made only to the extent authorized by, and in accordance with, the procedures in HHSAR 352.215-1.

- (f) If authorized in agency implementing regulations, agencies may release proposals outside the Government for evaluation, consistent with the following:
 - (1) Decisions to release proposals outside the Government for evaluation purposes shall be made by the agency head or designee;
 - (2) Written agreement must be obtained from the evaluator that the information (data) contained in the proposal will be used only for evaluation purposes and will not be further disclosed;
 - (3) Any authorized restrictive legends placed on the proposal by the prospective Contractor or subcontractor or by the Government shall be applied to any reproduction or abstracted information made by the evaluator;
 - (4) Upon completing the evaluation, all copies of the proposal, as well as any abstracts thereof, shall be returned to the Government office which initially furnished them for evaluation; and
 - (5) All determinations to release the proposal outside the Government take into consideration requirements for avoiding organizational conflicts of interest and the competitive relationship, if any, between the prospective Contractor or subcontractor and the prospective outside evaluator.
- (g) The submitter of any proposal shall be provided notice adequate to afford an opportunity to take appropriate action before release of any information (data) contained therein pursuant to a request under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552); and, time permitting, the submitter should be consulted to obtain assistance in determining the eligibility of the information (data) in question as an exemption under the Act. (See also Subpart 24.2, Freedom of Information Act.)

Government Property Schedule - (/ /)

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and efficient identification, review, and management of NIH Extramural Programs. Authority for requesting this information is provided by Title III, Section 301, and Title IV of the Public Health Service Act, as amended.

CONTACT POINTS

Complete the following and return with the **BUSINESS PROPOSAL**.

Name, Title and Address* of Business Representative with whom daily contact is required. Name Telephone Number Institutional Title FAX Number Institutional Office E-Mail Address Institution Name **Street Address City, State Zip Code Name, <u>Institutional</u> Title and Address of Proposed <u>Principal Investigator</u> Name Telephone Number **Institutional Title** FAX Number Institutional Division, etc. E-Mail Address **Street Address City, State Zip Code

These exact addresses are necessary to ensure that contact can be made with the proper individual(s) in the most expeditious manner.

^{*} May not necessarily be same as legal address of offeror.

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